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OF THE

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY

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Moderator,

REV. DAVID R. FRAZER, D.D., - - - Newark, N. J.

Vice-Moderator,

REV. HENRY W. BALLANTINE, - - Bloomfield, N. J.

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REV. WALTER A. BROOKS, - - - - Trenton, N. J.

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The Synod of New Jersey met, pursuant to adjournment, in the First Church of Atlantic City, on Monday, October 20th, 1890, at 7 o'clock P.M. Monday, Oct. 2d, 1890, 7 P.M.

After devotional services, the Synod listened to a sermon by Rev. Henry M. Storrs, D.D., the Moderator of the Synod, from Judges 6 : 36–38. Sermon.

After the sermon, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, and the following Elders assisted in the distribution of the elements: R. P. Craig, B. R. Kelty, Andrew Perrine, Eli Beard, Caleb S. Ward, Charles Rommel. Lord's Supper.

After the benediction, the Synod was constituted with prayer. Constituted.

The roll was called, and the following members were found to be present : Roll of Synod.

Presbytery of Corisco.

[None.]

Presbytery of Elizabeth.

MINISTERS.

Joseph M. McNulty, D.D.,	Everard Kempshall, D.D.,
Ezra F. Mundy (2),	J. Garland Hamner, D.D.,
I. Alstyne Blauvelt,	John A. Liggett, D.D.,
Kneeland P. Ketcham, D.D.,	Wm. E. Honeyman,
James G. Mason, D.D.,	James M. Nourse,
John W. Teal, D.D ,	Hugh Smythe,
Samuel Parry,	Charles S. Converse,
Wm. R. Richards,	Eben B. Cobb,
James H. Owens,	George Buckle.
George F. Greene,	Total, 19.

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
JOHN LEONARD,	Connecticut Farms.
C. H. GENUNG,	Elizabeth, First.
E. D. SMITH,	Elizabeth, Marshall St.
CHARLES ROMMEL,	Elizabeth, Second.
EDWARD W. BARNES,	Perth Amboy.
FRED. C. LOUNSBURY (2),	Plainfield, First.
JONATHAN WOODRUFF,	Rahway, Second.
THOMAS R. WHITE,	Roselle.

Total, 8.

Presbytery of Jersey City.

MINISTERS.

EDWIN A. BULKLEY, D.D.,	EDWARD P. CRANE,
ALEXANDER MCKELVEY,	WILLIAM L. MOORE,
PHILO F. LEAVENS, D.D.,	J. THOMPSON OSLER,
JOSHUA B. GALLAWAY,	ISRAEL W. HATHAWAY.

Total, 8.

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
JAMES A. BELL,	Arlington.
E. W. KETCHAM,	Hoboken, First.
CHARLES A. DEWITT,	Jersey City, First.
JOHN B. PUDNEY,	Passaic.
GEORGE HOLLISTER,	Rutherford Park.

Total, 5.

Presbytery of Monmouth.

MINISTERS.

THADDEUS WILSON,	ALFRED H. DASHIELL,
JOSEPH G. SYMMES, D.D.,	FRANK CHANDLER, D.D.,
BENJ. S. EVERITT,	JOSEPH H. BRADLEY,
EDWARD B. HODGE,	BENTLEY S. FOSTER (2),
GEORGE SWAIN, D.D.,	CHARLES H. MCCLELLAN,
HENRY R. HALL,	THOMAS TYACK,
WM. L. CUNNINGHAM,	CHARLES EVERITT (2),
CHALMERS MARTIN,	HENRY G. SMITH,
WILLIAM P. FINNEY,	FRANK R. SYMMES.

Total, 18.

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
SAMUEL F. WOOLLEY,	Allentown.
JACOB WILSON,	Beverly.
CHAUNCEY HURLBUT,	Burlington.
ALEX. MARCY, M.D.,	Calvary.
WALTER L. WRIGHT,	Columbus.
PETER R. BERGEN,	Cranbury, First.
ISAIAH D. BARCLAY,	Cranbury, Second.
ANDREW PERRINE,	Freehold.
WILLIAM T. SMOCK,	Hightstown.
IRA OTTERSON,	Jamesburg.
ELI BEARD,	Lakewood.
JAMES STEEN (2),	Shrewsbury.
R. P. CRAIG,	Tennent.

Total, 13.

Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

MINISTERS.

ROBERT AIKMAN, D.D.,	HENRY M. STORRS, D.D.,
THEODORE F. WHITE, D.D.,	O. H. PERRY DEVO,
HENRY A. HARLOW,	HENRY F. HICKOK, D.D.,
JAMES B. BEAUMONT,	ALBERT ERDMAN, D.D.,
THOMAS CARTER,	JOHN H. SCOFIELD,
JOHN R. FISHER,	W. W. HALLOWAY, JR.,
GEORGE P. NOBLE,	JAMES A. FERGUSON,
THEO. F. CHAMBERS,	PEARCE ROGERS,
RUFUS S. GREEN, D.D.,	WILLIAM F. WHITAKER,
DAVID O. IRVING,	ARTHUR C. DILL,
WM. J. MEWHINNEY,	STANLEY WHITE.

Total, 22.

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
H. C. JENKINS,	Boonton.
HUDSON MUCHMORE,	Chatham.
GEORGE D. MEEKER,	Dover.
JOSEPH KITCHELL, JR.,	Hanover.
AARON CARTER, JR.,	Hillside.
JEREMIAH BAKER,	Madison.
WILLIAM HILLARD,	Mendham, First.
ALLERTON W. KILBORNE,	Orange, First.
M. B. COLE,	Orange, Second.

F. H. KINGSBURY, ... Orange, Central.
WILLIAM H. NICHOLS, ... South Orange.
H. E. SIMMONS, ... Summit.
Total, 12.

Presbytery of Newark.

MINISTERS.

WILLIAM W. EDDY, D.D.,	CHARLES T. HALEY, D.D.,
ISAIAH B. HOPWOOD,	HENRY W. BALLANTINE,
CHARLES E. KNOX, D.D.,	DAVID R. FRAZER, D D.,
A. NELSON HOLLIFIELD, D.D.,	LEWIS LAMPMAN,
JULIUS H. WOLFF,	ISAAC H. POLHEMUS,
FORD C. OTTMAN,	J. GARLAND HAMNER, JR.,
ALFRED NICHOLSON (2),	PLEASANT HUNTER,
LYMAN W. ALLEN,	HENRY C. VANDERBEEK.

Total, 16.

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
THOMAS MCGOWAN, ...	Bloomfield.
D. F. NICHOLS, ...	Newark, Calvary.
FRED W. BALDWIN, ...	Newark, First.
CALEB S. WARD, ...	Newark, Second.
R. S. GRUMMON, ...	Newark, Third.
WILLIAM RANKIN, ...	Newark, High Street.
A. B. TWITCHELL, ...	Newark, Memorial.
JAMES MAWHA, ...	Newark, Park.
IRA M. HARRISON, ...	Newark, South Park.
EVERT M. PIERSON, ...	Newark, Woodside.
PHILIP DOREMUS, ...	Montclair, Trinity.

Total, 11.

Presbytery of New Brunswick.

MINISTERS.

ABRAHAM GOSMAN, D.D.,	WM. J. MCKNIGHT, D.D.,
AMZI L. ARMSTRONG,	SAM'L M. STUDDIFORD, D.D.,
JOHN B. KUGLER,	HENRY C. CAMERON, D.D.,
CHARLES P. GLOVER,	DANIEL R. FOSTER,
THOMAS S. LONG,	WILLIAM SWAN,
JAMES W. VAN DYKE,	WILLIAM H FILSON,
JOHN DIXON, D.D.,	WALTER A. BROOKS,
EDWARD K. DONALDSON (2),	HORACE D. SASSAMAN,
GEORGE H. INGRAM,	TITUS E. DAVIS.
D. STUART MOORE,	

Total, 19.

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
CALEB F. QUICK,	Amwell, First.
D. W. LARISON,	Amwell, Second.
PETER J. STAATS,	Bound Brook.
JOHN D. RUE,	Dutch Neck.
EBENEZER HENDRICKSON,	Ewing.
JOHN L. CONNET,	Flemington.
CHARLES A. SKILLMAN,	Lambertville.
FRANKLIN DYE,	Lawrence.
J. J. JANEWAY,	New Brunswick, First.
JOSEPH P. BLACKWELL,	Pennington.
JOHN B. VAN DOREN,	Princeton, First.
WM. J. OWENS,	Trenton, First.
BENJAMIN EWAN,	Trenton, Third.
GEORGE S. GROSVENOR,	Trenton, Prospect Street.

Total, 14.

Presbytery of Newton.

MINISTERS.

WM. THOMSON,	CHARLES D. NOTT, D.D.,
ROBERT J. BURTT,	JOHN LOWREY (2),
HENRY S. BUTLER, D.D.,	S. NYE HUTCHINSON,
JOHN S. CLYDE, D.D., (2),	J. DEHART BRUEN,
JAMES M. HUNTTING,	ALBERT L. KELLY (2),
A. MCSHANNON HIGGINS,	E. W. BROWN.
E. MORRIS FERGUSSON,	Total, 13.

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
N. A. STACKHOUSE,	Andover.
J. G. SHIPMAN,	Belvidere First.
J. C. WELLER,	Greenwich.
WILLIAM P. COURSEN,	Newton.
GEORGE W. WILHELM,	Phillipsburg.
CHARLES OBERLYN,	Stewartsville.
SAMUEL BEAVERS,	Washington.

Total, 7.

Presbytery of West Jersey.

MINISTERS.

ALBERT WORTHINGTON,	FRANKLIN D. HARRIS (2),
JOHN EWING, D.D.,	ALLEN H. BROWN,
WILLIAM AIKMAN, D.D.,	HENRY REEVES, Ph.D.,
ALFRED J. SNYDER,	FREDERIC R. BRACE,

HEBER H. BEADLE,
JOHN E. PETERS, Sc.D. (2),
WELLINGTON E. LOUCKS,
HARRY L. JANEWAY (2),
SYLVESTER W. BEACH,
R. HOWARD BENT,
WILLIAM J. BRIDGES (2),
GEORGE W. TOMSON,
BENJ. P. JOHNSON,
WILLIAM BOYD,
EDWARD DILLON,
WM. V. LOUDERBOUGH,
HERBERT R. RUNDALL,
RODERICK P. COBB,
ALFRED P. BOTSFORD.

Total, 23.

RULING ELDERS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES.
ALLEN B. ENDICOTT,	Atlantic City.
A. S. DOUGHTY,	Berlin.
R. B. STEVENSON,	Blackwood.
EDGAR J. RILEY,	Bridgeton First.
BENJ. HARDING,	Bridgeton Second.
C. M. WILLIAMS,	Camden, First.
BENJ. O. TITUS (2),	Camden, Second.
ROBERT PEACOCK,	Deerfield.
S. P. FOSTER,	Elmer.
DANIEL E. IZZARD,	Mays Landing.
ISAAC PURSELL (2),	Merchantville.
D. C. POTTER (2),	Pleasantville.
E. R. KELTY,	Salem.
JOHN J. JESSUP,	Woodbury.

Total, 14.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

REV. W. W. MOFFETT, of New Jersey M. E. Conference.
REV. HUGHES O. GIBBONS, D.D., Synod of Pennsylvania.
REV. DAVID TULLY, D.D., Synod of Pennsylvania.
REV. JOSEPH T. GIBSON, Synod of Pennsylvania.
REV. JOHN B. THOMPSON, D.D., Synod of Pacific.
REV. HENRY A. NELSON, D.D., Synod of Missouri.
REV. WILLIAM IRVIN, D.D., Synod of New York.
REV. F. F. ELLINWOOD, D.D., Synod of New York.
REV. M. L. SEVERANCE, Vermont General Convention of Congregational Churches.

Total, 9.

SUMMARY.

MINISTERS,	138
RULING ELDERS,	84
CORRESPONDING MEMBERS,	9
TOTAL,	231

Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D., of the Presbytery of Newark, was elected Moderator. Officers elected.

Rev. William F. Whitaker, of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, was elected Temporary Clerk.

The Committee of Arrangements presented the following report: Arrangements.

The Committee of Arrangements report that the adjournment of the Synod at its last meeting was to this evening, and the hour was made seven o'clock. The Standing Rule No. XVIII makes "the last two hours of the afternoon session and the whole of the evening session of the second day of the Synod's meeting to be devoted to the subject of Benevolence and Church Work." The Committee consequently saw no place for the administration of the Lord's Supper, which, by Standing Rule No. XVII, must "be administered at each stated meeting of the Synod," except as the Committee has arranged it for this evening.

The Committee suggest that the Synod meet during its session at 9 A. M., take a recess at 12:30, meet at 2:30 P. M., take a recess at 5 P. M. and meet at 7:30 P. M., and that the last half hour of the morning session be given to devotional services.

The Committee also suggest that, on the afternoon of Tuesday, Rev. J. T. Gibson, Treasurer and Office Secretary, be heard in behalf of the Freedmen's Board, Rev. Dr. Cattell, Secretary, be heard in behalf of the Board of Ministerial Relief, and that Rev. W. W. Moffett be heard for fifteen minutes in behalf of the American Bible Society.

The Committee further suggests that Tuesday evening be given to the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions, addresses being made by Secretaries Ellinwood and Irvin, and to such other popular addresses as the Synod may order.

The Committee further suggests that the Necrological Report be presented in connection with the reading of the Narrative.

The report of the Committee was accepted and its recommendations were adopted.

Sundry orders of the day for the reports of Committees were adopted. Orders.

The Synod adjourned to meet on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. Adjournment.

The session closed with prayer and the benediction.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST, 1890.

Tuesday, 9 A.M. The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock A. M., and, after prayer, proceeded to the business of the day.

Minutes. The minutes of Monday's sessions were read and approved.

Vice-Moderator and Standing Committees. The Moderator announced Rev. Henry W. Ballantine as Vice-Moderator, and the following Standing Committees:

I—ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

REV. HENRY M. STORRS, D.D.,
REV. WILLIAM J. MCKNIGHT, D.D.,
REV. ALEXANDER MCKELVEY,
REV. J. DEHART BRUEN,
ELDER A. B. TWITCHELL,
ELDER EDWARD W. BARNES,
ELDER JOHN S. JESSUP.

II—JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.

REV. LEWIS LAMPMAN,
REV. GEORGE SWAIN, D.D.,
REV. WILLIAM SWAN,
REV. HEBER H. BEADLE,
ELDER C. H. GENUNG,
ELDER JOHN B. PUDNEY,
ELDER PHILIP DOREMUS.

III—ON MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

REV. EBEN B. COBB,
REV. ALBERT ERDMAN, D.D.,
ELDER R. B. STEVENSON.

IV—ON THE NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION FOR 1891.

REV. J. GARLAND HAMNER, D.D.,
REV. ISRAEL W. HATHAWAY,
ELDER JEREMIAH BAKER.

V—FINANCE COMMITTEE.

ELDER FREDERICK W. BALDWIN,
ELDER JOHN D. RUE.

VI ON PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS.

Corisco—Rev. William W. Eddy, D.D., Rev. J. Thomson Osler, Elder Jacob Wilson.

Elizabeth—Rev. Thomas S. Long, Rev. Robert J. Burtt, Elder Robert S. Grummon.

Jersey City—Rev. James A. Ferguson, Rev. Alfred P. Botsford, Elder John Woodruff.

Monmouth—Rev. Kneeland P. Ketcham, D.D., Rev. Daniel R. Foster, Elder William P. Coursen.

Morris and Orange—Rev. Edward B. Hodge, Rev. Samuel Parry, Elder E. R. Kelty.

Newark—Rev. William J. Bridges, Rev. Henry R. Hall, Elder James A. Bell.

New Brunswick—Rev. Frederic R. Brace, Rev. James H. Owens, Elder Hudson Muchmore.

Newton—Rev. Pleasant Hunter, Rev. Charles H. McClellan, Elder A. S. Doughty.

West Jersey—Rev. Henry G. Smith, Rev. Theo. F. Chambers, Elder William J. Owens.

Minutes. The Stated Clerk presented the Minutes of the last meeting of Synod, duly approved by the General Assembly.

Papers referred. Sundry papers in the hands of the Stated Clerk were referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Report of Stated Clerk. The report of the Stated Clerk was presented and accepted, and the acts and expenditures of the Stated Clerk were approved.*

Report of Treasurer. The report of the Treasurer was presented, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Historical materials. The report of the Special Committee on Gathering and Preserving Historical Materials was presented by Rev. Henry C. Cameron, D.D. It was accepted, and its recommendation was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the Rev. Walter A. Brooks, the Stated Clerk of the Synod, and the Rev. Joseph H. Dulles, the Librarian of Princeton Theological Seminary, be appointed Custodians of all books and documents presented or committed to the care of the Synod, and that they be authorized to provide pasteboard cases for the preservation of pamphlets and manuscripts.

*All important papers accepted or adopted by the Synod, and not printed in the body of the Minutes, will be found in the Appendix.

Dr. Cameron presented his resignation as a member of this Special Committee, because of professional duties at the time of Synod's meetings. The resignation was not accepted, but Dr. Cameron was relieved from the duties of the Chairmanship, and Rev. Allen H. Brown was appointed Chairman.

The Custodians just appointed were authorized to procure the Minutes of the late Committee on Church Extension, and place them in the fire-proof vault.

Standing Rules.

The report of the Special Committee on Permanent Clerkship and Standing Rules, the first order of the day, was presented by Rev. Joseph G. Symmes, D.D. It was accepted, and its recommendations were considered *seriatim;* and the report as amended was adopted as a whole.

The report is as follows:

The following resolution was adopted by the Synod at its last meeting:

The report of the Special Committee on the Permanent Clerkship, previously accepted, was considered. It was ordered that the changes proposed by the Committee, in the Standing Rules, from Rule II to Rule VIII, both included, be printed in the Appendix, and referred for further consideration to the Synod at its next meeting. To this Special Committee were referred for consideration all the Standing Rules of the Synod, with direction to report at the next meeting.

The Committee thus continued beg leave to report, recommending the adoption of the following as the Standing Rules of Synod.

(The changes made in the Standing Rules are embodied in the Rules as printed in the Appendix.)

Clerks elected.

In accordance with the changes in the Standing Rules just made, Rev. Benjamin S. Everitt was elected Permanent Clerk, and Rev. William F. Whitaker was elected Recording Clerk, by ballot cast by the Stated Clerk.

Bills and Overtures.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported recommendations with regard to various papers put into the hands of the Committee, which recommendations were adopted, as follows:

1. A request from the Presbytery of New Brunswick, for the sanction by Synod of the action of Presbytery in holding a *pro re nata* meeting only nine days after the issue of the call, was granted.

2. An Overture from the Presbytery of Newton, concerning the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund of 1759, was referred to the Special Committee on this Fund.

3. An Overture from the Presbytery of Jersey City, calling for earnest efforts in City Evangelization, was referred to the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions.

4. The annual reports of the Woman's Synodical Societies for Home and Foreign Missions were referred to the Permanent Committees on Home and Foreign Missions, respectively.

5. A letter from the Secretary of the Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work was referred to the Permanent Committee on that Board.

6. An Appeal and Complaint from members of the South Orange Church, against the action of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, were referred to the Judicial Committee.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions was presented by Rev. John Dixon, D.D. The report of the Treasurer of the Committee was presented and referred, for audit, to the Finance Committee. The recommendations of the Committee were considered *seriatim*, and, pending final action, the Synod spent a half hour in devotional exercises, under the leadership of Rev. Isaiah B. Hopwood. Synodical Home Missions. Treasurer's report.

The Synod took a recess until 2:30 P.M. Recess.

TUESDAY, 2:30 P.M. Tuesday, 2:30.

The Synod re-assembled, and, after prayer, proceeded to business.

A Committee of three was appointed to revise the Permanent Committees. The Moderator named Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D., Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., Elder Franklin Dye. To revise Permanent Committees

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported a paper placed in its hands in reference to a proper supply of chaplains for the army. Bills and Overtures. Chaplains.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the movement looking to an increase in the number of chaplains for the United States Army, and that we request our honorable Senators and Representatives to do what they can in this direction.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished by the Stated Clerk to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress and to the Secretary of War.

Church at Home and Abroad.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures also recommended a resolution in reference to "The Church at Home and Abroad," which, after amendment, was unanimously adopted, as follows :

Resolved, That the moral weight of this Synod ought to be, and hereby is, emphatically pledged to sustain "The Church at Home and Abroad," both as our official organ and as the efficient instrument of promoting missionary interest in our Church, and to secure for it the widest possible circulation throughout the congregations of this Synod. To this end Pastors and Sessions are hereby urged to use every practicable effort. At the same time, while appreciating the merits of the magazine as an exhibit of the work of the Church on all sides, we yet feel the need of more distinct, definite and lively representation of our own Foreign Mission field.

Arrangements.

It was made the third order for Tuesday afternoon to hear the report of the Special Committee on the Ministers' Fund of 1759.

Freedmen.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Freedmen was presented by Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D. It was accepted ; and the Synod listened to an address from Rev. Joseph T. Gibson, Office Secretary of the Board for Freedmen.

Instability of the Pastorate.

The report of the Special Committee on the Instability of the Pastorate was presented by Rev. Charles D. Nott, D.D. The recommendation of the Committee was adopted, as follows :

Resolved, That this Committee be re-organized by the addition of members living along the same line of road, that conference may be more readily had—with instructions to report to the next meeting of Synod a statement of the difficulty in its bearings upon churches and pastors, together with that plan of adjustment which to the Committee appears most feasible.

The re-organized Committee was subsequently announced as follows: Rev. Charles D. Nott, D.D., Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., Rev. Theodore F. White, D.D., and Elders Henry E. Simmons, Theodore Little, George D. Meeker.

Rev. Hughes O. Gibbons, D.D., of the Synod of Pennsylvania, was heard in behalf of the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund of 1759. Presbyterian Ministers' Fund.

Rev. W. W. Moffett was heard in behalf of the American Bible Society. American Bible Society.

The report of the Committee on the Narrative was presented by Rev. William R. Richards, and was accepted, and ordered printed in the Appendix. Narrative.

The report of the Committee on Necrology was presented by Rev. Thomas Carter, and accepted, and ordered printed in the Appendix. Rev. Thos. Carter was requested to prepare a notice of the death of Rev. Cornelius De Heer, and add it to the report. The Synod engaged in prayer. Necrology.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance was made the first order for Wednesday. Arrangements.

The Synod took a recess until 7:30. Recess.

TUESDAY, 7:30 P.M. Tuesday, 7:30.

The Synod re-assembled, and engaged in devotional exercises, and then listened to an address by Rev. William Irvin, D.D., on Home Missions; an address by Rev. Frank F. Ellinwood, D.D., on Foreign Missions; an address by Rev. William W. Eddy, D.D., upon Mission Work in Syria; and an address by Rev. Henry A. Nelson, D.D., upon "The Church at Home and Abroad." Addresses

The Synod adjourned to meet on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Adjournment.

The session closed with prayer.

WEDNESDAY, October 22d. Wednesday, Oct. 22d, 9 A.M.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, and prayer was offered by Rev. Henry W. Ballantine, the Vice-Moderator, who presided during the day.

Minutes. The minutes of Tuesday's sessions were read and approved.

Arrangements. The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions was made the second order for this morning.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Education was made the third order for the morning; and Rev. Edward B. Hodge was invited to address the Synod upon the work of the Board.

It was made the first order for Wednesday afternoon to hear the report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance.

Aid for Colleges. The report of the Permanent Committee on Aid for Colleges was presented by Rev. Henry C. Cameron, D.D. It was accepted and the recommendation adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the Synod earnestly recommend that all pastors and churches take up collections for the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies.

Sabbath Observance. The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance was presented by Rev. George Swain, D.D. The report was accepted; it was amended, and then recommitted.

ForeignMissions. The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions was presented in three parts. The first part, prepared by Rev. William H. Belden, upon the work accomplished, was read by Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D., the Chairman *pro tem.* The second part, presenting the financial condition and aspects of the work, was read by its author, Elder William Rankin. The third part, presenting the duty for the future, was read by the author, Rev. Philo F. Leavens, D.D. The report as a whole was accepted. The recommendations were considered *seriatim;* the first was adopted, and the second, third and fourth were recommitted.

Judicial Committee. The Judicial Committee presented a report, which was accepted and placed upon the docket.

Education. The report of the Permanent Committee on Education was presented by Rev. Frederic R. Brace. It was accepted, and its recommendations were adopted, as follows:

1. That the churches that have not taken up a collection for the Board of Education be asked to take this cause into earnest and prayerful consideration.

2 That ministers and elders continue to urge the claim of Jesus Christ upon young men for service in the ministry of His Church.

Rev. Edward B. Hodge was heard upon the work of the Board of Education.

The thanks of the Synod were given to Mr. Wilbur B. Ketcham, for the gift of copies of the Presbyterian Hand-Book for 1890. Thanks.

The Synod spent a half hour in devotional exercises, under the leadership of Rev. James W. Van Dyke.

The Synod took a recess until 2:30 P.M. Recess.

WEDNESDAY, 2:30 P.M. Wednesday, 2:30.

The Synod re-assembled and proceeded to business.

The records of the Presbyteries of Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Newark, New Brunswick and Newton were approved. Records approved.

The records of the Presbytery of West Jersey were approved, and the following resolutions were adopted: West Jersey.

Resolved, In accordance with the deliverances of the General Assembly of 1888 and 1890, in reference to the organization of churches, that the exception recorded on the records of the Presbytery of West Jersey, at page 47, be and hereby is rescinded.

Resolved, That the following record be made on the proper page of the records of the Presbytery of West Jersey, and signed by the Stated Clerk, viz.: "This exception was rescinded by the Synod of New Jersey, at its meeting in Atlantic City, October 22d, 1890."

The records of the Presbytery of Corisco were approved, and the Stated Clerk was directed to forward to that Presbytery a letter expressing the cordial regard and prayerful sympathy of the Synod. Corisco.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance was presented by Rev. William E. Honeyman. The report Temperance.

was accepted and the recommendations were adopted, and the report as a whole was laid on the table for the present.

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

WHEREAS, The Synod of New Jersey, in considering the report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance, is favored with the presence of the numerous representatives of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the State of New Jersey, whose sessions are now holding in this city;

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the compliment, and assure our sisters of our continued interest in the great subject of Gospel Temperance, and unite with them in the prayer that God will hasten the day when, through the earnest efforts of the Church and all who love our Commonwealth, the evil of the licensed saloon shall be banished from our State.

Race-tracks.

The following paper was presented and referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. Everard Kempshall, D.D., Rev. Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., and Elder Charles A. DeWitt:

The Synod of New Jersey recognizes in the race-track, with its attendant vices, a most formidable and growing evil, especially threatening the moral and religious interests of New Jersey. The vice of gambling is of the most insidious and destructive nature. It depraves the mind and hardens the conscience; it tends to destroy the peace and happiness of homes, and leads up to open dishonesty and theft. The forces which are combined to fasten this curse upon our State are as powerful as they are unscrupulous. United, serious and persistent effort on the part of the moral and religious people of our State must be put forth if any headway is to be made against this great evil; therefore,

Resolved, *first*, That Synod hereby earnestly exhorts all under the care of this Synod to further in every proper way "the election to office of men who can be relied upon to oppose legalizing book-making, pool-selling, or any other method of gambling upon race-tracks in New Jersey, whenever and wherever the opportunity offers."

Resolved, *second*, That the Synod of New Jersey hereby expresses its hearty thanks to the Governor of this State for withholding his signature from the bill which was passed by the last legislature legalizing book-making on race-tracks in New Jersey.

Upon the recommendation of this Committee the resolutions were adopted.

The report of the Trustees of the Synod was presented by Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., as follows: Trustees.

There have been received during the past year the following sums:

From the Home Missionary Society of Salem, N. J., for Brainerd Memorial Fund,	$10 00
From a friend in New York, as special for Long Branch Chapel,	500 00
	$510 00

There has been received from the Holmes Estate, for the use of the Forked River Church,	$177 50
Which added to the sum reported last year,	550 00
Makes the sum of	$727 50

Now in bank, on interest, and to be invested in bond and mortgage, the interest to be given to the church in Forked River.

The church in Holly Beach is owned by the Trustees. There is a debt upon this church which amounts, with interest, to	$222 24
The church in Barnegat City is also the property of the Synod; a tornado damaged the building, demanded repairs to the amount of	89 26
	$311 50

Which sum should be provided for by the Synod.

An offer is made of $50 toward the liquidation of this debt, provided the entire sum can be made up.

ROBERT AIKMAN,
President and Treasurer of Board of Trustees.

The report was accepted, and Dr. Aikman was authorized to solicit and receive personal subscriptions for the payment of the obligations reported.

The report of the Special Committee on the Endowment of the German Theological Seminary was presented by Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., as follows: Endowment German Seminary.

Of the fund of $10,000 originally proposed to be raised for the endowment of the German Theological Seminary, between $6,000 and $7,000 have been secured. Of this amount nearly $3,000 have been contributed by churches and individuals in the Presbytery of Newark.

The report was accepted; and the Synod listened to an address by President Charles E. Knox, D D.

The Special Committee on Endowment of the German Theological Seminary was re-appointed as follows: Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D., Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D., Rev. Joseph S. Van Dyke, D.D., Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., Rev. William F. Junkin, D.D., Rev. John Dixon, D.D., Rev. J. De Hart Bruen, Rev. Wellington E. Loucks.

Work among Germans.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Work Among the Germans was presented by Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., and was accepted.

Foreign Missions.

The Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions, to whom certain portions of its report were recommitted, presented a supplemental report, which was accepted and adopted. The recommendations of the Committee were then adopted as a whole, as follows:

1. The Synod of New Jersey adjures all courts within its jurisdiction, all Presbyteries and Sessions, to bestir themselves, to recognize themselves as the bankers on whom the Treasurer of Foreign Missions must draw; to take the rules of duty prescribed by the Apostle Paul to the Achaians and Macedonians, and to come up thereto in their office as solicitors and almoners of the people's benefactions.

2. The Synod of New Jersey respectfully overtures the General Assembly, requesting it to appoint a committee to make thorough and exhaustive inquiry into the church method of support to the treasury of Foreign Missions, and to arrange a plan: first, to place more responsibility upon Synods, Presbyteries and Sessions; second, to assure the Board of Foreign Missions of a steady and reliable support; third, to emphasize the distinction between the income from the living members of the churches and from legacies or bequests, both as a basis of appropriation and in the administration of the funds.

3. The report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, herewith submitted to the Synod, is accepted, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

4. The Synod hereby expresses its sense of the great importance of the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of this Synod, and bids the Society God speed in its future work.

Overture to General Assembly.

The following overture to the General Assembly, to be known as Overture No. 2, was adopted:

The Synod of New Jersey, being convinced that a large part of the difficulty of securing sufficient funds for our benevolent causes arises from the fact that a large number of our churches do not take any collection at all for some of the Boards, amounting in the case of some of them to more than one-half of our churches, earnestly overtures the General Assembly to take effective measures to induce every pastor and stated supply and session to present every cause recommended by the General Assembly to every church under their care, and to make faithful efforts to secure good collections.

The Synod took a recess until 7:30 P.M. Recess.

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 P.M. Wednesday, 7:30.

The Synod re assembled, and prayer was offered.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Home Missions was presented by Rev. Wellington E. Loucks. The report was accepted and adopted. Home Missions.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee the annual report of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was accepted and ordered printed in the Appendix.

The following words of the Committee were adopted as a portion of the report:

Your Committee recognizes the increasing efficiency of the Woman's Society of Home Missions, whose gifts during the past year have exceeded those of the year previous by more than two thousand dollars in money, and more than one thousand dollars in the total contribution, which amounts to $28,320.

The Stated Clerk was authorized to print seventy-five copies of the report of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and seventy-five copies of the report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, for the use of the two Societies

The report of the Special Committee on the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund of 1759, prepared by Elder Barker Gummere, was presented by Rev. George Swain, D.D. The report was accepted. The matter was laid upon the table, together with the overture from the Presbytery of Newton relating to the Fund, which had been referred to the Committee. Presbyterian Ministers' Fund 1759.

Judicial Committee.

The report of the Judicial Committee was taken from the docket.

The petition of the Complainants and Appellants, in the case reported by the Judicial Committee, for the assignment of Rev. Everard Kempshall, D.D., Rev. John Dixon, D.D , and Elder J. G. Shipman, as counsel, was laid upon the table until the decision of the question as to whether the case is before the Synod.

The report of the Judicial Committee was divided. The recommendation concerning the Appeal was adopted, and the Appeal was dismissed accordingly by the Synod. The recommendation concerning the Complaint was referred back to the Judicial Committee, to recite the matters complained of, and the grounds upon which the Committee recommended the dismissal of the Complaint.

Minutes of the General Assembly.

The report of the Standing Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly was presented by Rev. Eben B. Cobb, and accepted, as follows:

That the minutes of the General Assembly have been carefully examined, and that nothing has been found therein requiring the action of Synod.

Sectarian Influences.

The report of the Special Committee on Sectarian Influences in Public Institutions was presented. It was accepted, and the recommendations discharging the Committee were adopted, as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That inasmuch as a comparatively fair adjustment of the former religious difficulty in the Jamesburg Reform School has been accomplished, nothing remains for the present to be reached more effectual.

2. *Resolved*, That these things being so, and there seeming to be no further work for your Committee to accomplish, it be therefore discharged.

Temperance.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance was taken from the table, and the report as a whole was adopted and ordered printed in the Appendix. The recommendations of the Committee are as follows:

(1.) "While, as a Church, we neither advocate nor antagonize any political party, we earnestly commend to our Ministers and

people, as Christian citizens, such vigorous, persevering efforts as may seem wisest to them, towards the enactment in our State of statutes which shall hopefully secure entire prohibition of a traffic largely responsible for the bulk of the drunkenness, crime, pauperism and social miseries which afflict our land."

(2.) That Ministers be requested to remember the Assembly's injunction, as found on page 83 of the Minutes, which reads as follows: "We enjoin our Ministers and people to abate nothing in their zeal and effort in or out of the Churches to check the drinking habits of society, and by effort, voice and vote to oppose the traffic in intoxicants as a beverage"

(3.) That the following persons be elected as members of the Church Commission on Temperance, viz.: Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., Rev. B. S. Everitt, Rev. A. Erdman, D.D., Rev. John Woodbridge, D.D.; Elders J. Y. Foster, J. R. Bennett and H. E. Simmons.

Ministerial Relief.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Ministerial Relief was presented. It was accepted and the recommendation was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That a covenant-keeping God expects His people to keep covenant with Him, and for this end to "bring all the tithes into the storehouse and prove him therewith;" as the proper care and comfort of His veteran and infirm servants is no exception to this, and as there is such a present urgent need for redoubled contributions, through fear of suffering on the part of worthy men and women, and from the increase of needy applicants to the Relief Fund, and, above all, as a simple debt we owe to them and to the Master, we urge our churches to a larger liberality in order to the redemption of the earnest recommendation of the General Assembly.

Sabbath Observance.

The Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance presented a supplementary report, embodying the following memorial to the Directors of the Exposition of 1892 in Chicago:

To the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition of the United States of America:

GENTLEMEN—The Synod of the Presbyterian Church in New Jersey respectfully petition your honorable body that the gates of the Exposition shall be closed on Sunday, the common weekly day of rest.

We ask this for the following reason: Since the beginning of the nation the great majority of our people have esteemed

the weekly or Sunday rest as an institution to be carefully guarded and honored. For the many physical and moral as well as religious benefits which it secures, they have been constrained thus to regard it. So has it been in the past, and the same is true to-day. So, then, that we keep in line with our previous history, also that the moral character of our people be recognized and promoted, and that the needed rest, especially of those employed in the Exposition, be permitted, we desire that our petition be granted.

The report of the Committee as a whole was adopted. The Stated Clerk was directed to forward a copy of the memorial to the Directors of the Exposition, and a copy to the American Sabbath Union.

Treasurer elected.

Rev. Eben B. Cobb was elected Treasurer of the Synod. The present Treasurer was authorized to transfer all funds of the Synod in his hands to the Treasurer just chosen.

Judicial Committee.

The Judicial Committee presented a further report, reciting, as required, the matters complained of in the complaint from South Orange, and the grounds upon which the Committee recommend the dismissal of the complaint.

This second part of the report, *i. e.* the part relating to the Complaint, was considered *seriatim* and adopted, and then adopted as a whole; and the Complaint was accordingly dismissed by the Synod. The report of the Judicial Committee, as finally adopted, is as follows:

The following papers have been placed in the hands of your Committee for their consideration: 1st. "Notice of Complaint." In the matter of a memorial to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, asking for a dissolution of the pastoral relations existing between the Rev. Jno. R. Fisher and the First Church of South Orange, N. J.

2d. "Notice of Appeal." In the same matter.

With respect to the appeal, it is the judgment of your Committee—

1st. That this not being a judicial case, it is not a proper subject of appeal.

2d. That if it is a proper subject of appeal, it is not in form before the Synod, for the reason that the requisite notice of an appeal was not given to the Presbytery within the required ten days. The action of Presbytery was taken in June, and the notice of an appeal was not given to Presbytery until the 15th of September. Your Committee therefore recommend its dismissal as not in order.

II. With reference to the complaint, in the matter of a memorial to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, asking for a dissolution of the pastoral relations existing between the Rev. Jno. R. Fisher and the First Church of South Orange, N. J., it is the judgment of your Committee that all complaints referring to the action of Presbytery in June are precluded by the failure of the complainants to furnish the requisite notice to the Presbytery within the prescribed ten days. Your Committee therefore recommend the dismissal of such portions of the complaint.

The matters complained of in the action of the Presbytery at its meeting in September are as follows: "The illegal and injudicial action of the Presbytery at its meeting in September, 1890, in suppressing from its Minutes the reports of its committees in relation to this matter, and in further showing a disinclination to accord any consideration to your complainants."

Your Committee find as to the first matter, viz., "the suppression from the Minutes of Presbytery of the reports of its committees," that one of the reports is given in full in the Minutes, and the other is given as amended and actually adopted by the Presbytery.

And as to "illegal and injudicial action and disinclination to accord any consideration to your complainants," your Committee, after the most careful examination, have failed to discover any illegal act or any want of consideration toward the parties who have presented this complaint.

Your Committee therefore recommend its dismissal.

Formal notice was given of a complaint and appeal in this case to the General Assembly. Complaint and appeal.

The Synod adjourned until Thursday, at 9 o'clock A.M. Adjournment.

The session closed with prayer.

THURSDAY, October 23d.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock A.M., and, after prayer, proceeded to the business of the day. Thursday, 9 A.M.

The minutes of Wednesday's sessions were read, amended and approved. Minutes.

Drafts on Treasurer.

The Stated Clerk was authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for such reasonable expenses for printing, postage, express, binding, etc., as may be incurred during the year, and report the same to the Synod.

Morris and Orange.

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange reported, recommending the approval of the records. The consideration of the report was made the order for 10 A.M.

Synodical Home Missions.

The pending recommendations in the report of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions were adopted, and the report as a whole was adopted.

It was ordered that the Plan for Synodical Home Missions be printed in the Appendix, and that two thousand extra copies of the report of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, including the Treasurer's tabulated report of receipts, be printed for general distribution among the Elders and other members of our Churches, and that the expense be paid by the Synod. The recommendations of the Committee are as follows:

1. That Synod offer to Elmer Ewing Green, Esq., its hearty thanks for his services as Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions, and asks him to serve another year.

2. That churches be recommended to take up their collections for this cause and forward them to the Treasurer as early in the fiscal year as possible.

3. That paragraph 5, of section V, be amended by omitting therefrom the word "quarterly."

4. That Synod undertake to raise during the current year the sum of $13,968, apportioned as follows:

Presbytery of Elizabeth, ...	$2,276 00
Presbytery of Jersey City, ...	1,229 00
Presbytery of Monmouth, ...	1,082 00
Presbytery of Morris and Orange, . . .	2,325 00
Presbytery of Newark, ...	2,424 00
Presbytery of New Brunswick, ...	2,293 00
Presbytery of Newton, ...	1,177 00
Presbytery of West Jersey, ...	1,162 00
	$13,968 00

5. That allotments be made to the Presbyteries as follows:

Presbytery of Elizabeth, ...	$300 00
Presbytery of Jersey City, ...	2,100 00
Presbytery of Monmouth, ...	3,800 00
Presbytery of Morris and Orange, . . .	1,616 00
Presbytery of Newark, ...	1,600 00
Presbytery of New Brunswick, ...	750 00
Presbytery of Newton, ...	700 00
Presbytery of West Jersey, ...	3,600 00
	$14,466 00

City evangelization.

The Committee recommended the following answer to the Overture referred to it from the Presbytery of Jersey City:

Synod expresses its high appreciation of the importance of evangelization in our large cities, and its readiness, through its Committee on Synodical Home Missions, to sustain such efforts as far as possible, when they shall be initiated in the several Presbyteries; and Synod also instructs the Committees on Synodical Home Missions in the Presbyteries including our large cities to take this matter into careful consideration.

The recommendation was adopted.

Unemployed Ministers and Vacant Churches.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Unemployed Ministers and Vacant Churches was presented by Rev. John R. Fisher. It was accepted, and its recommendation was adopted, as follows:

That Presbyteries give to this matter (as presented before the last General Assembly) immediate and careful consideration, that the next Assembly may have before it the material for wise and helpful action.

Place of meeting.

The report of the Special Committee on the Place of Meeting and Entertainment of Synod was presented. This was accepted. The selection of the place of the next meeting was committed to the Moderator, the Clerks and Rev. Allen H. Brown.

Morris and Orange.

The Synod proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, recommending their approval. Permission was given for the withdrawal, temporarily and without prejudice, of the Notice of Complaint and Appeal to General Assembly offered yesterday. The Synod adopted

the recommendation of its Committee, and the Records of Morris and Orange were approved as written.

Complaint and appeal.

Notice was repeated of the Complaint and Appeal to General Assembly on the part of members of the Church of South Orange, in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

Systematic Beneficence.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence was presented by Rev. Theodore F. White, D.D. It was accepted.

It was made the first order for the first morning session of the meeting of 1891 to hear the report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Permanent Committees.

The Committee appointed to nominate the Permanent Committees presented the following list, and the persons named were elected: (See list as printed in Appendix.)

To present act to Legislature.

The report of a Special Committee appointed to present to the Legislature an Act to Regulate Church Affairs, was presented, as follows:

The Committee prepared an act in which it was endeavored, in the main, to carry out the provisions contained in the report made to this Synod at its meeting in 1889.

Soon after the bill prepared by your Committee was printed and circulated in the Senate and House of Assembly, at their last session, there was a strong opposition made against the passage of the said law, by members of Presbyteries in the eastern part of our State, and this opposition proved to be so strong that the members of the Legislature refused to pass the act referred to.

The report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Publication and Sabbath School Work.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Publication and Sabbath-school Work was presented, and its recommendations were adopted, as follows:

The Committee offer for adoption the following:

Resolved, That our churches give due attention to earnest and persevering effort for Sabbath-school extension, looking to bringing into the Sabbath-school the entire membership of the church, the young men and young women who were formerly members and all the children and young people in the community.

Resolved, That this Synod recommend that in all our Sabbath-schools there be some efficient missionary organization for instruction in missionary interests and for training in systematic giving to the Lord.

Resolved, That our churches and Sabbath-schools give special attention to the selection of qualified and consecrated teachers, and to providing some systematic plan for their training and development.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Church Erection was presented, and the recommendation was adopted, as follows : Church Erection.

That during the year to come every one of our churches fill up their Church Erection column with a liberal gift ; and that all our stronger churches (at least) shall do what they can to raise the remainder of the manse fund.

The Finance Committee reported as follows : Finance.

1. That they have carefully examined the report of the Treasurer of the Synod and compared the vouchers, and find the accounts correct. The balance in the hands of the Treasurer is ascertained to be one hundred and sixty-four dollars and fifty cents ($164.50).

Your Committee would recommend the following apportionments to Presbyteries for the coming year, viz.:

Elizabeth,	$55 00
Jersey City,	45 00
Monmouth,	45 00
Morris and Orange,	55 00
Newark,	55 00
New Brunswick,	55 00
Newton,	40 00
West Jersey,	45 00
	$395 00

2. That they have carefully examined the accounts, and the report of the Treasurer for Synodical Home Missions, comparing the books and vouchers therewith, and have found the record of receipts and expenditures to be correct, and have so certified.

The report was accepted and the apportionments were adopted.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay the salaries of the Clerks and the bill of the Janitor. Salaries and bills.

A vote of thanks was unanimously adopted, as follows : Thanks.

The Synod of New Jersey desires to express its hearty thanks to the pastor, officers and members of the First Presbyterian Church and to the Presbyterians of Atlantic City, for their gen-

erous hospitality during the sessions of Synod. The Synod also acknowledges with cordial appreciation the assistance given by the choir of the First Presbyterian Church, in the worship of the evening meetings; and the thanks of Synod are also due to the managers of the railroads which furnished special accommodations for the transportation of members to Atlantic City.

Statistical reports

It was ordered that the Statistical Reports be printed in the Appendix.

Committee of Defence.

The Moderator of the Synod was empowered to appoint a Committee of three to defend the Synod in the Complaint and Appeal to the General Assembly, from among the Commissioners to be chosen by the Presbyteries

Enrollment and leave of absence.

The Permanent Clerk reported that 138 Ministers, 84 Ruling Elders and 9 Corresponding Members had been in attendance, and that the following members of Synod, having given satisfactory reasons, had been excused for absence:

FROM THE PRESENT MEETING.

Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D.,
Rev. Joseph H. Dulles,
Rev. Horace G. Hinsdale,
Rev. William H. Johns,
Rev. James C. Egbert,
Rev. Benj. T. Phillips,
Rev. Isaac H. Condit,
Rev. George S. Mott, D.D.,
Rev. John Hall, D.D.,
Rev. John H. Salisbury, D.D.,
Rev. J. Lester Wells,
Rev. Alexander H. Young,
Rev. William C. Alexander,
Rev. David Stevenson, D.D.,
Rev. John Gillespie, D.D.,
Rev. Elijah R. Craven, D.D.,
Rev. Charles Herr,
Rev. Wm. C. Stinson,
Rev. Samuel G. Webb,
Rev. Chas. A. Aiken, D.D.,
Rev. John T. Duffield, D.D.,
Rev. S. Edward Young,
Rev. Samuel W. Knipe,
Rev. Chas. D. Shaw,
Rev. Jos S. Van Dyke, D.D.,
Rev. Wm. A. Nordt,
Rev. John J. Crane,
Rev. E. Clarke Cline,
Rev. William H. Woolverton,
Rev. Alanson A. Haines,
Rev. Henry M. Booth, D.D.,
Rev. John T. Kerr,
Rev. Wm. H. Belden,
Rev. Lewis W. Mudge, D.D.,
Rev. J. Clement French, D.D.,
Elder J. H. Shumaker,
Elder E. M. Cave,
Rev. E. J. Pierce.

AFTER TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Rev. Joseph G. Symmes, D.D.,
Rev. Lyman W. Allen,
Rev. J. Garland Hamner, Jr.,
Rev. Chas. T. Haley, D.D.,
Rev. E. Morris Fergusson,
Rev. Henry M. Storrs, D.D.,
Elder Peter R. Bergen,
Elder Ira M. Harrison,
Elder John L. Connet,
Elder F. H. Kingsbury,
Elder Geo. W. Wilhelm.

AFTER TUESDAY EVENING.

Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D.,
Rev. Isaiah B. Hopwood,
Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D.,
Elder W. L. Wright,
Rev. Titus E. Davis,
Elder Peter J. Staats,
Rev. George Buckle,
Rev. Geo. W. Tomson,
Elder D. W. Larison,
Rev. Benj. P. Johnson,
Elder I. D. Barclay,
Rev. William R. Richards,
Rev. Jas. M. Nourse,
Elder S. P. Foster.

AFTER WEDNESDAY 4 P.M.

Rev. Pleasant Hunter,
Rev. Charles S. Converse,
Rev. Henry C. Cameron, D.D.,
Elder M. B. Cole,
Rev. James A. Ferguson,
Rev. Thomas Tyack,
Elder C. H. Genung,
Rev. Eliphalet W. Brown,
Elder A. Carter, Jr.,
Rev. Philo F. Leavens, D.D.,
Elder Fred. W. Baldwin,
Elder A. B. Twitchell,
Rev. Henry R. Hall,
Rev. Wm. J. Bridges,
Rev. Jas. H. Owens,
Elder Wm. P. Coursen,
Elder Robert Peacock,
Rev. Thomas Carter,
Elder H. C. Jenkins,
Rev. Edward Dillon,
Rev. R. Howard Bent,
Rev. S. Nye Hutchinson,
Elder J. J. Janeway,
Rev. Frederic R. Brace,
Rev. Wm. Boyd,
Rev. Isaac H. Polhemus,
Elder J. B. Van Doren,
Elder John Leonard,
Rev. Henry F. Hickok, D.D.,
Elder A. W. Kilbourne,
Rev. Thomas S. Long,
Elder Wm. T. Smock,
Elder M. A. Stackhouse,
Rev. J. Thomson Osler,
Elder Jacob Wilson,
Elder Philip Doremus,
Rev. Edward K. Donaldson,
Elder C. M. Williams,
Elder Caleb S. Ward,
Elder John D. Rue,
Rev. Alfred H. Dashiell,
Elder E. W. Barnes,
Rev. Alfred J. Snyder,
Rev. Henry G. Smith,
Elder Jos. Kitchell, Jr.,
Rev. John Lowrey,
Elder J. S. Jessup,
Rev. Ford C. Ottman,
Elder Alex. Marcy, M.D.,
Elder B. O. Titus,
Elder R. B. Stevenson,
Elder E. J. Riley.

AFTER WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Rev. William L. Cunningham,
Rev. William L. Moore,
Rev. William H. Filson,
Elder J. C. Weller,
Rev. Theodore F. Chambers,
Rev. William W. Eddy, D.D.,
Rev. William Thomson,
Rev. Charles E. Knox, D.D.,
Rev. Henry Reeves, Ph.D.,
Rev. Robert J. Burtt,
Rev. Chas. Everitt,
Elder H. Mutchmore,
Elder Thos. McGowan,
Rev. Julius H. Wolff,
Elder David F. Nichols,
Rev. Joseph H. Bradley,
Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D.,
Rev. Benjamin S. Everitt,

Rev. Daniel R. Foster,
Elder Eli Beard,
Rev. Joseph M McNulty, D.D.,
Elder E. Hendrickson,
Elder G. Hollister,
Elder R. P. Craig,
Rev. Edward P. Crane,
Rev. Horace D. Sassaman,
Rev. John W. Teal, D.D.,
Elder G. D. Meeker,
Elder Geo. S. Grosvenor,
Rev. Heber H. Beadle,
Rev Wm. Swan,
Rev. Eben B. Cobb,
Rev. Stanley White,
Elder Charles Oberlyn,
Rev. Kneeland P. Ketcham, D.D.,
Rev. Chas. H. McClellan,
Rev. James M. Huntting,
Rev. Charles P Glover,
Rev. H. C. Vanderbeek,
Rev. W. P. Finney,
Rev. William E. Honeyman,
Rev. John B. Kugler,
Rev. Wm. W. Halloway, Jr.,
Elder Charles A. Skillman,
Elder H. E. Simmons,
Rev. Ev. Kempshall, D.D.,
Elder Chas. A. DeWitt,
Elder S F. Woolley,
Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D.,
Rev. Charles D. Nott, D.D.,
Rev. Lewis Lampman.

The roll being called, the following members were found absent without excuse :

Rev. George F. Greene,
Elder Jonathan Woodruff,
Rev. Joshua B. Gallaway,
Rev. Frank Chandler, D.D.,
Rev. W. J. Mewhinney,
Rev. A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D.,
Elder Wm. Rankin,
Elder James Mawha,
Rev. D. Stuart Moore,
Elder Franklin Dye,
Elder Benj. Ewan,
Rev. Albert Worthington,
Rev. William V. Louderbough,
Elder A. S. Doughty,
Elder Daniel E. Izzard,
Elder E. D. Smith,
Elder James A. Bell,
Rev. Thaddeus Wilson,
Elder Chauncey Hurlbut,
Rev. David O. Irving,
Elder Wm. H. Nichols,
Elder R. S. Grummon,
Elder E. M. Pierson,
Elder Caleb F. Quick,
Elder J. P. Blackwell,
Rev. Albert L. Kelly,
Rev. Thos. Thompson,
Rev. Roderick P. Cobb,
Elder Benj. Harding,
Elder D. C. Potter.

Minutes. The minutes were read and approved.

Adjournment. The Synod then adjourned, to meet on the third Tuesday of October, 1891, at 3 P.M., at a place to be hereafter chosen and announced by a Committee appointed for that purpose.

Prayer. The session closed with prayer and the benediction.

WILLIAM F. WHITAKER,
Recording Clerk.

WALTER A. BROOKS,
Stated Clerk.

The foregoing pages contain a complete and accurate record of the proceedings of the Synod of New Jersey, at its meeting held in Atlantic City, N. J. October 20th to 23d, 1890.

Attest: Walter A. Brooks.
Stated Clerk.

Approved, so far as written, in General Assembly at Detroit, Mich., June 2, 1891.

Wm. Henry Green
Moderator

APPENDIX.

I.—NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 20TH, 1890.

The narratives received from the several Presbyteries indicate that the year has not been an eventful one. The work of the church seems to have been carried on throughout the Synod with the usual degree of diligence and regularity, and with no unusual obstacles, though word comes of "differences and discords in two congregations of 'Morris and Orange' of so serious and painful a character as to give sorrow to all who have the interests of Christ's kingdom at heart."

ATTENDANCE.

The churches have generally been open on the Lord's Day, with no exceptions in some Presbyteries and with only one or two in others. The attendance is generally reported as encouraging, including sometimes, though not quite so generally, attendance of the children.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

As to Sunday-school work the word "encouraging" occurs in almost every report, and generally with emphasis; with redoubled emphasis wherever the churches have extended their Sunday-school territory by mission enterprises. In Jamesburg, for instance, where "the mission school has increased during the year from 35 to 70 in attendance, and has furnished 12 additions to the church;" and in a mission of the First Church of Trenton, where a chapel has been built at a cost of over $8,000, the school numbering over 400 and furnishing 35 to the membership of the church. Similar reports might be given from Elizabeth Presbytery and elsewhere.

A large majority of the English-speaking schools use the Westminster Helps, and a still larger teach the Catechism, which calls out the remark from one narrator that "however it may be with the Confession of Faith, the Catechism still enjoys general popularity."

PRAYER MEETINGS.

With reference to prayer meetings, the reports show greater variety. Some churches dispense with this means of grace

altogether, 5 in "Morris and Orange," for instance, and 4 in "Monmouth;" and a large number report no monthly concert for foreign missions—in one case, "Newton," more than half the churches in the Presbytery.

Wherever there is a prayer meeting among the young people, as is the case in an increased number of churches, emphasis is laid on the blessing which has attended it, especially when this work has been organized under the form of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

FAMILY.

With reference to Christian work in the family the reports are somewhat conflicting, some uneasiness being manifested, as from "Jersey City" and "New Brunswick," lest this form of work may have been too much neglected, while on the other hand the prevailing testimony is that "the number of baptized persons admitted to the Lord's table indicates that God's covenant has been honored." The fact seems to be that, while there is too general neglect of parental training, yet even so the Christian family proves itself the most efficient of all agencies for the establishment of God's kingdom throughout the earth.

OFFERINGS.

As to benevolence, the reports are fairly good, the total benevolent offerings of the Synod having increased from $313,666, reported in the Assembly Minutes of 1889, to $360,940, in the Minutes of 1890. It should be noted, however, that while the churches themselves report a gain of $9,461 in their gifts to Foreign Missions, there has been a loss of $587 in their gifts to our Foreign Board. Can it be that we are listening to calls from every quarter, and discrediting our own appointed agent in this work of preaching the gospel to the heathen?

The Home Mission report is better, the gifts to the Board showing a gain of $3,380. As to our Synodical Home Mission work, most encouraging of all, others will report.

The churches generally report some systematic plan of giving to all the Boards, very few confessing "no contributions at all."

"Newark" gratifies, but bewilders us with the intelligence that the Park Church this year increased its gifts six-fold, and the Caldwell Church twelve-fold.

CONVERSIONS.

But how stands the record of the year in the mattter of positive advances into the enemy's country? How many new confessors enrolled in the army of Jesus Christ?

We would thank God for favor shown us, and there have been accessions to nearly all our churches, and in every Presbytery some

of the churches can report special awakening. Yet, on the whole, this record is not what we had been hoping for, brethren.

"New Brunswick" regards this a good year for her. Lambertville Church reports "a marked interest through the year," and Bethany that the "usual revival state continues." Services by Mr. Moody among the students at Princeton, and by Mr. Mills among the Churches in New Brunswick, are reported helpful.

"Jersey City" gives a still brighter picture, also in connection with labors by Mr. Mills. The First Church of Bergen has received one hundred members on examination, and the Church of West Milford increases its membership fifty per cent. The narrative summarizes by saying that "if each year is as prosperous as this has been, there must be a steady and decided growth of the Church of Jesus Christ."

The Presbytery of West Jersey gives yet more encouraging reports, an accession by examination nearly forty per cent. larger than a year ago, and that some of the churches, notably Woodbury, have enjoyed marked revivals in connection mostly with special services. A most interesting instance is given of a young man converted at Bridgeton, during union meetings, under Mr. Mills, who died soon afterwards, before he had opportunity to unite with the visible church, but whose dying testimony left such deep impression that some fifteen young persons, tracing their conversion to it, have since been received into the First Church of Cedarville.

We can understand how these brethren should say, "the Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." But our other Presbyteries can only report "a fair degree of advance," and the total accessions, by examination in the Synod, have been only 3,267 as against 3,559 a year ago.

Many of us remember vividly the last Narrative presented to Synod; and the sensation caused among us when the reader, after detailing the peculiarly favorable position of Presbyterianism in this State, such as would give reason to expect the largest returns for labors bestowed here, proceeded to tell us that, ranking our 29 Synods according to percentage of increase by examination, this most favored Synod stood fifth from the bottom of the list. Such a surprising statement provoked at least one member of the Synod to further mathematical computations, and the results are instructive. This year, out of the 29 Synods, we are sixth from the bottom of the list, not because we have really gained in our percentage, but because others have lost more than we. We are 24th from the top. And who are the four or five below us? 25th, comes Pennsylvania; 26th, Ohio; 27th, Tennessee; 28th, New York; strong Synods, with the big, strong churches, and the able pastors, presumably. Well, what Synods head the list? 1st, New Mexico; 2d and 3d, the Dakotas; 4th, Indian Territory; 5th, China; 6th, India; mission ground, all

of it; with feeble churches, barely self-supporting, if at all; and ill-paid pastors. If we may judge of the value of a Christian by the number of sheaves he helps bring into the Lord's garner, each church member in New Mexico is worth between three and four times as much as a church member in New Jersey.

There may be various factors to consider in accounting for this more rapid success of the gospel in our newer fields; but certainly one factor is, that those fields have the virgin soil. The seed has not been sown there through so many seasons. Those western harvests are bountiful, brethren; we may hardly expect to compete with them on our home ground. And, therefore, that our Synod of New Jersey may not be made to hang its head at the last great accounting day, we must contrive that some part of those richer harvests be set to our credit. Let us make larger investments of our money out there. We can minister to them in temporal things, and so get our share of the profit out of their richer soil in spiritual things. And the Boards of our church are a sort of spiritual clearing-house for the mutual interchange of such benefits.

But then as to our work within the bounds of our Synod, must not this statement of our comparative barrenness drive us to a more persistent ingenuity in the tillage of such soil as we have? Is it not to be feared, moreover, that our larger churches are carrying more than their share of idle, irresponsible members? We may do well to heed Dr. Parkhurst's sententious utterance that "a minister's church should be considered not so much his field as his force." A notably successful church in one of our larger cities has said in its last year-book that "the people of God in these days should not try to appease their consciences by listening passively to one or two sermons a week, or by dropping a dollar or two into the missionary box, but they should combine and organize in many ways for aggressive evangelistic work." Yes, the signs of the times indicate that this disorganized mob of so-called Christians must be mobilized into a true army of Jesus Christ. Now the narratives, as presented, show that our churches are reading these signs to some extent; that they feel compelled to call out their unused resources and to exercise a larger degree of inventiveness and versatility in their work, taking the motto that "we must by all means save some." Such mission school work as is reported in Trenton and many other places; the Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, which, whatever doubts some may have felt as to some of their methods, do at least set all their members at work, and instill into them a wholesome expectation of visible fruits from their labor; the many women's societies, of which the same good things might be said with emphasis; these and other similar ventures indicate both that the churches are becoming roused to a sense of duty towards fields and forms of labor lying

quite beyond their former attainments or attempts, and also that God is showing His favor toward this more venturesome spirit in His people.

Let us note, in closing, two enterprises of this sort conducted by the South Street Church, of Morristown. First "a superintendent, assisted by a corps of workers from the church, men and women, to labor among the victims of intemperance. Services conducted 365 nights in the year and on Sunday afternoons; an aggregate attendance of 16,617; 275 lodgings furnished; 155 meals; 327 requests for prayer reported, and 50 conversions and reclamations. The mission has proved a great blessing both in its direct and its reflex influence."

The second enterprise, "a missionary and five native laborers in China, supported by the men and boys of the congregation, without diminishing the regular contributions to the Foreign Board."

When our Lord, speaking to real fishermen, ordained them to be fishers of men, did he not expect from them the same fertility of resource which they had already developed in their trade? and if one bait failed let them try something else; and if the net came up empty on one side of the boat let them cast it on the other; and if they had toiled all night and taken nothing, let them try by the light of the morning.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. RICHARDS.

II.—NECROLOGICAL REPORT.

CORNELIUS DE HEER,

of the Presbytery of Corisco, was born in Rotterdam, Holland, February 13th, 1827. Coming to this country while young, he became a market gardener in the vicinity of Cleveland, Ohio. Later he entered on mission work in Cleveland, especially among his own countrymen.

On October 4th, 1855, he sailed, with his wife and little daughter, from this country, as a missionary of the Presbyterian Board, to labor in Corisco.

In 1880 he was transferred to Benita. During the last eight years of his life in Africa, he welcomed about three hundred converts to the Lord's table. Broken down in health, he left Africa in September, 1888, and spent the winter in Switzerland. He reached the United States in July, and died at Clifton Springs, October 20th, 1889.

Mr. De Heer's first wife died of African fever two years after landing at Corisco, leaving two daughters who still survive. He married a second time, in 1864, and his widow has recently returned to Africa with her friend, Mrs. Louise Reutlinger, who, for almost twenty years, has been a member of their family.

EDWARD BLANCHARD EDGAR,

of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, the son of Matthias B. and Catherine Edgar, was born in New York city, December 21st, 1816; confessed his faith in Christ in his eighteenth year; graduated at the College of New Jersey, in 1835, and at Princeton Theological Seminary, in 1840. Impaired health prevented him from entering upon Foreign Mission work.

He was ordained by the Presbytery of Hudson, May 3d, 1842, and installed pastor of the Church of Mount Hope, N. Y., where he remained for eight years.

He was installed at Westfield, N. J., April 23d, 1850. Here he labored with success for twenty-three years, and led many to the acceptance and confession of Christ.

Failing health obliged him to withdraw from the active ministry in 1875, and the remaining years of his life were spent in Plainfield, where he died January 10th, 1890. His release came suddenly. Those who saw him daily knew that he walked with God, and made a happy exchange of earth for heaven.

His first wife was Mary A. Foote, of Newark, N. J., who died in 1856; his second wife was Mary J. Ross, of Metuchen, N. J., who died in 1873. One daughter survives him.

DAVID HARRISON PIERSON, PH.D.,

of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, the son of Elijah and Martha Pierson, was born at Caldwell, N. J., March 8th, 1818; graduated at the College of New Jersey in 1840; spent two years in teaching at Elizabeth; entered Princeton Theological Seminary in 1842; was licensed by the Presbytery of Elizabethtown April 17th, 1844, and ordained an evangelist October 7th, 1857, by the Presbytery of Passaic; acted as stated supply at Lyons Farms, N. J., 1857–59, rendering occasional service to many other churches. The main work of his life was teaching; he spent twenty-five years in the work, and exerted great influence for good upon the character of the youth committed to his care.

For twenty years of his life he was a patient invalid, bearing testimony to the grace of God in quiet submission. He was a warm and faithful friend, a man of sound judgment and practical wisdom, a conscientious teacher, an earnest preacher and humble Christian.

He died suddenly of apoplexy, in Elizabeth, October 30th, 1889. His wife was Caroline Peck, to whom he was married in East Orange, September 22d, 1844, and who survives him, with five children.

BURTIS CUNNINGHAM MEGIE, D.D.,

of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, son of Daniel H. Megie, was born in New York city, December 4th, 1813. He was descended from John Megie, who, in the persecuting times of Archbishop Sharp, of Scotland, was exiled to America in 1685. He graduated at the University of New York, and at Union Theological Seminary in 1838. He supplied the church at New Paltz, N. Y., for about a year, when he was called to Dover, July, 1839, and installed November 15th, 1842. His long and successful pastorate here lasted for thirty-six years, until July 1st, 1875, when he accepted a call to the church of Pleasant Grove, on Schooley's Mountain. For twelve years he continued pastor at Pleasant Grove, and in 1889 he was appointed superintendent of public schools for Morris county. He had for many years taken great interest in the matter of education, and his influence in this direction was widely felt.

Besides serving his own church while at Dover, he preached at a number of out-stations, several of which grew into churches. His contributions to local history have been most valuable. He was Stated Clerk of old Rockaway Presbytery for many years, and of Morris and Orange until recently.

He married, December 4th, 1838, Mary Belden, daughter of Rev. William Belden, who survives him, with two sons and four daughters.

He died suddenly of heart disease and congestion of the lungs, on the night of June 12th, 1890.

JOHN M. ENSSLIN,

of the Presbytery of Newark, was born in 1826, at Bossfingen, in the kingdom of Würtemburg ; came to America at the age of twenty-five years, and became a foreman in one of the mills in Bloomfield. When the Bloomfield German Presbyterian Church was organized he was made an elder, and when the pastor of that church resigned, the Session recommended one of their own number, Mr. Ensslin, to the congregation to become their pastor. He was chosen, and the Presbytery ordained and installed him in 1868. He continued to labor successfully in that congregation for twenty-two years, until his death, April 12th, 1890. His burial was largely attended, and he was "mourned by the whole body of the German people" in that part of New Jersey.

SAMUEL H. HALL, D.D.,

of the Presbytery of Newark, died October 10th, 1890, in the seventy-second year of his age. He was born at Geneva, N. Y., and graduated from Union College, Schenectady, in 1837. He entered upon the study of law at Cleveland, Ohio, but, before being admitted to practice, he resolved to study for the ministry, and having completed his theological studies, was ordained and installed pastor at Marshall, Mich. ; and afterwards at Syracuse and Owego, N. Y.

For many years he has been Secretary of the American Seaman's Friend Society, and his service in this connection has been the great work of his life.

He was dearly beloved by his friends, a kind and useful man, and earnest and faithful in his Christian efforts. Soon after his ordination he married Caroline, daughter of Mr. William Rankin. of Newark, who survives him with one child.

JOSEPH W. PORTER,

of the Presbytery of Newark, was born 1827 ; licensed by Presbytery of Luzerne, and was residing in Easton, Pa., in 1859. The following year, 1860, he was ordained and installed by the Presbytery of Philadelphia pastor at Phœnixville, where he continued to labor for fifteen years with acceptance and usefulness. In 1877, he was installed pastor of the Fifth Church of Trenton, serving it for three years ; when he spent a season in evangelistic work. He became pastor at Stanhope in 1881, continuing for two years ; when he accepted a call to the church at Woodside, in Newark, where he was pastor for seven years, until 1890. Shortly before his death he received a call to another church and had expressed his acceptance, when the call of the Lord, "Come up higher," reached him July 17th, 1890, and he died after a short illness.

JONATHAN FRENCH STEARNS, D.D.,

of the Presbytery of Newark, son of the Rev. Samuel Stearns and Abigail, daughter of Rev. Jonathan French, was born in Bedford, Mass., where his father was pastor, in 1808; graduated at Harvard, 1830; studied theolgy under his father and at Andover, and was licensed by Woburn Association in 1834. His earliest charge was the First Presbyterian Church in Newburyport, Mass., where he was pastor from 1835 to 1849. In December, 1849, he was installed over the First Church, in Newark, where he remained as active pastor until 1883, when he was made pastor-emeritus.

During the active years of his life he held a high position in the church as well as in the community. In 1868 he was Moderator of the General Assembly at Harrisburg, and was active in the reunion of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church.

He was a recognized leader, and an earnest promoter of the most important schemes of church work. Having, with marked devotion and ability, served his own generation by the will of God, he fell asleep at the house of his daughter in New Brunswick, where he made his home, November 11th, 1889. His burial was in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Newark.

He married Anna S. Prentiss, of Portland, Me., in 1844, who died January 2d, 1869. Two sons and a daughter survive him.

JAMES CLEMENT MOFFAT, D.D.,

of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, was born in Glencree, Gallowayshire, Scotland, May 30th, 1811. He was a shepherd boy, and pursued his studies while attending his flock. He came, in 1832, to the United States, expecting to follow the trade of printing, when Dr. John Maclean induced him to enter the Junior class in Princeton College, where he graduated in 1835. For two years he attended lectures at Yale College, and returned to Princeton and was made a tutor in Greek. In 1839 he became Professor of Latin and Greek in Lafayette College, and in 1841 was chosen Professor of Latin in Miami University, Ohio, and afterwards Professor of Modern History. In 1852 he returned to Princeton as Professor of Latin and History. He was licensed to preach in the spring of 1853. In 1857 he became Professor in the Theological Seminary at Cincinnati. In 1861, by the choice of the General Assembly, he was called to the chair of Church History in the Theological Seminary of Princeton, and in 1888 was made, by the Directors, professor emeritus.

Besides his work as an instructor, he was active in contributing articles for periodicals, and in writing a number of books.

He was twice married, and his second wife was a sister of Judge Stanley Matthews. He left one son by his first marriage, and four sons and three daughters by his second.

GEORGE CLINTON BUSH,

of the Presbytery of West Jersey, was born at Bridgeton, N. J., September 14th, 1815. He graduated at the college in Princeton, in 1839, and at the Princeton Theological Seminary, in 1842; was Home Missionary at Corunna, Mich., for a time; ordained evangelist, by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, November 11th, 1845; stated supply at New Egypt, 1844–1849; Amboy and Jamesburg, in 1850; pastor at Stewartsville, 1851–1862; Hackettstown, 1862–1866, and at Newtown, Pa., 1866–1876; stated supply at Edinboro, Pa., 1876–1879; Detroit, Mich., 1880. He spent three years in Saline, Mich., and four years in Brooklyn, Mich., returning to Pennsylvania in 1887, and became stated supply at Elwood, N. J., October, 1888, where he closed his life.

Full of arduous labor and love for souls, he fell asleep on Tuesday, April 29th, 1890. He was a man of lovely disposition, always affable and devoted to Christ, having an earnest, affectionate manner with those whom he desired to save. He was eminent for missionary and evangelical work. Death came suddenly, removing him in an instant from apparent health to the eternal world.

ALANSON A. HAINES,
Committee on Necrology.

III.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

The blessing of the God of missions is very evidently with this Synod in its endeavor to plant the standard of the Cross in the really missionary portions of our State, maintain the preaching of the gospel in destitute and difficult places and aid our weak and struggling churches. Our hearts go out to Him to-day in deepest thanksgiving for the privilege of serving Him and for His wonderful blessing upon our labors. Your Committee on Synodical Home Missions respectfully present their fourth annual report, which they are glad and grateful to be able to say is the most encouraging yet made.

We note the retirement from the Committee of the Rev. I. H. Polhemus, of Newark, who resigned his position of chairman of Presbytery's Committee on Home Missions, and the appointment by Presbytery of the Rev. J. Garland Hamner, Jr., to the place made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Polhemus. Your Committee part with Mr. Polhemus with sincere regret, while they welcome Mr. Hamner with great heartiness to their fellowship and work.

The Treasurer of the fund reports that he has received from all sources a total sum of $13,545.92. This is $1,134.11 more than last year, a marked and notable advance. This sum has been made up as follows: From the

Presbytery of Elizabeth,		$2,160 37
"	Jersey City,	1,400 68
"	Monmouth,	1,089 34
"	Morris and Orange,	2,471 63
"	Newark,	2,052 81
"	New Brunswick,	2,231 43
"	Newton,	905 88
"	West Jersey,	1,233 78
		$13,545 92

Your Committee take special pleasure in commending the Presbytery of Elizabeth for its hearty response to the special appeal of Synod made last year. This Presbytery sent $816.73 more than last year, and thus exceeds its quota by $32.37. All the Presbyteries have sent more this year than last, with the exception of New Brunswick. Under specially favorable circumstances, which have not been repeated this year, that Presbytery was able last year to exceed its quota by $313.33; this year it sends only $88.43 more than its quota. The Presbytery of Newark has come so near to the amount expected from it that we are quite hopeful that next year it will send the entire sum needed. So, also, will we hope for the

Presbytery of Newton. Special effort has been put forth by the Presbytery of West Jersey to interest the Sabbath-school children in this work. As a result of this endeavor, $223.50 were contributed by the Sabbath-schools of that Presbytery. This is very gratifying. The example set and the results secured by that Presbytery commend themselves to every other Presbytery.

The disbursements for the year were $12,969.08. Thus it appears that $850.76 more were spent upon the work than last year. The details are fully set forth in the report of the Treasurer.

Last year we reported 69 churches and mission fields aided from this fund. This year the number is somewhat larger. Through the direct oversight of the Presbyteries and the faithfulness of the committees in charge of them these various fields of labor have been regularly supplied with the preaching of the Gospel. The accessions to the aid-receiving churches of Synod during the year, as reported to the General Assembly, have been 322 on confession of faith and 134 by certificate.

New fields of labor have been undertaken by the Presbyteries and are pressed upon the care and attention of Synod. For this we are, or at least ought to be, thankful. The Presbytery of Newark has begun a mission among the 30,000 Italians in that city, and they have secured the services of Mr. F. Pesaturo as their missionary. In West Jersey, mission stations have been started at Cramer's Hill and South Camden. Three new fields are brought to the notice of the Presbytery of Monmouth, and Jersey City Presbytery has begun services at Woodridge. The Presbyteries of Newton and New Brunswick are called upon to add to the number of aid-receiving churches; not new fields of labor, but churches that have become too weak to get along without help. Because of the marked success that has attended Synod's care of its mission work, and especially because of the increasing number of new fields that call for our help, your Committee find it necessary to recommend Synod to make an advance of seven per cent. upon the amount hitherto called for from the Presbyteries. This is but a slight advance and it does not fully meet the necessities of the case, but your Committee feel that we ought not to move too rapidly, and particular care should be taken to avoid debt. Nothing less than the amount now called for will meet the need.

Your Committee are glad to report that the church at Moorestown, Presbytery of Monmouth, has attained to self-support, and that several of our churches in different Presbyteries ask for less. We are glad, also, to take note of the building of manses for our weaker churches. This means a permanent increase of the minister's salary, as well as securing for him a convenient and acceptable home. Our churches at Elmer, Liberty Park and Woodstown have been supplied with manses during the past year.

We are called to a great work, and God is blessing us in it. Let us make much of our opportunity and be faithful to our duty.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That Synod offer to Elmer Ewing Green, Esq., its hearty thanks for his services as Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions, and asks him to serve another year.

2. That churches be recommended to take up their collections for this cause, and forward them to the Treasurer as early in the fiscal year as possible.

3. That paragraph 5 of Section V be amended by omitting therefrom the word "quarterly."

4. That Synod undertake to raise during the current year the sum of $13,968, apportioned as follows:

Presbytery of	Elizabeth,	$2,276 00
"	Jersey City,	1,229 00
"	Monmouth,	1,082 00
"	Morris and Orange,	2,325 00
"	Newark,	2,424 00
"	New Brunswick,	2,293 00
"	Newton,	1,177 00
"	West Jersey,	1,162 00
		$13,968 00

5. That allotments be made to the Presbyteries as follows:

Presbytery of	Elizabeth,	$300 00
"	Jersey City,	2,100 00
"	Monmouth,	3,800 00
"	Morris and Orange,	1,616 00
"	Newark,	1,600 00
"	New Brunswick,	750 00
"	Newton,	700 00
"	West Jersey,	3,600 00
		$14,466 00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN DIXON,
Chairman.

IV.—REPORT OF TREASURER OF SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

To the Synod of New Jersey:

Your Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions respectfully presents the following report:

The similarity of each year's work of Synodical Home Missions makes it impossible to say anything novel or striking; it makes it difficult to avoid being dry. The report of your Treasurer may but briefly rehearse the steps in the performance of the work on its financial side, with briefer mention of the preparation for it, and its hints for future action.

1. In preparation for the work, your Permanent Committee recommended at your last meeting that Synod should undertake to raise the sum of thirteen thousand and fifty-seven dollars, and should allot to the several Presbyteries the sum of thirteen thousand, and six hundred dollars. Their recommendations were confirmed by you, both in the whole and in the particulars of Presbyterial apportionment and allotment. Such apportionment and allotment will be found in detail in the Schedules 1 and 2, hereunder written.

The sums allotted to the Presbyteries for their use were immediately certified to the Treasurer by your Stated Clerk.

2. In the performance of the work, your Treasurer has received and acknowledged contributions from thirty-one churches in the Presbytery of Elizabeth, amounting to two thousand, one hundred and sixty dollars and thirty-seven cents; contributions from twenty-nine churches in the Presbytery of Jersey City, amounting to thirteen hundred and twenty-eight dollars and eleven cents; contributions from forty-two churches in the Presbytery of Monmouth, amounting to one thousand and eighty-nine dollars and thirty-four cents; contributions from forty-one churches in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, amounting to two thousand, four hundred and sixty-nine dollars and sixty-three cents; contributions from twenty-seven churches in the Presbytery of Newark, amounting to two thousand and fifty-two dollars and eighty-one cents; contributions from thirty-five churches in the Presbytery of New Brunswick, amounting to seventeen hundred and thirty-one dollars and forty-three cents, and from a single giver, for the credit of this Presbytery, a contribution of one hundred and fifty dollars; contributions from twenty-nine churches in the Presbytery of Newton, amounting to nine hundred and five dollars and eighty-eight cents, and contributions from forty-seven churches in the Presbytery of West Jersey, amounting to twelve hundred and thirty-three dollars and seventy-eight cents. Besides these sums, the churches of Paterson contributed seventy-two dollars and fifty-seven cents; a pastor of a church

in Morris and Orange gave two dollars ; and a member of a church in the city of New Brunswick gave three hundred and fifty dollars. All of the contributions are classified and set forth with particularity in Schedule 3, hereunder written ; and in Schedule 4, hereunder written, the contributions during the third and fourth fiscal years are compared by Presbyteries. The Summary of Account, hereunto annexed, groups the contributions in a somewhat different manner. From this it appears that the gifts during the last year from congregations amounted to twelve thousand, three hundred and five dollars and sixty-five cents, from Sabbath-schools, to six hundred and forty-nine dollars and ninety-five cents, from societies and bands, to eighty-eight dollars and thirty-two cents, and from individuals, to five hundred and two dollars.

In the further performance of the work, your Treasurer has paid out for the services of ministers or missionaries, rendered in the first quarter of the year, the sum of three thousand, one hundred and seventy dollars and thirty-two cents ; for like services in the second quarter of the year, the sum of three thousand and nine dollars and ninety-five cents ; for like services in the third quarter of the year, the sum of three thousand, two hundred and forty-eight dollars and eighty-four cents; and for like services in the fourth quarter of the year, the sum of two hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-four cents. Besides these sums, he paid out for similar services, rendered in the last quarter of the preceding year, the sum of three thousand, one hundred and ninety-one dollars and nine cents. Reclassifying the payments, your Treasurer may say that, during the year, he paid to or for the use of a minister or missionary in the Presbytery of Elizabeth, three hundred dollars ; to or for the use of ministers or missionaries in the Presbytery of Jersey City; two thousand, one hundred and seventy-eight dollars and fifty cents ; to or for the use of ministers or missionaries in the Presbytery of Monmouth three thousand, one hundred and fifty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents, and to the Presbyterial missionary in the same four hundred and fifty-four dollars and twenty-nine cents ; to or for the use of ministers or missionaries in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange fourteen hundred and sixty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents ; to or for the use of ministers or missionaries in the Presbytery of Newark seven hundred and forty-four dollars and sixteen cents ; to or for the use of ministers or missionaries in the Presbytery of New Brunswick four hundred and fifty dollars and fifty cents ; to or for the use of ministers or missionaries in the Presbytery of Newton seven hundred and twelve dollars and fifty cents ; and to or for the use of ministers or missionaries in the Presbytery of West Jersey, two thousand, eight hundred and eighty-four dollars and twenty-two cents, and to the Presbyterial missionary in the same five hundred and five dollars and thirty-four cents. For

printing and publishing, your Treasurer has disbursed fifty-two dollars and forty-five cents; for postage, twenty-three dollars and fifty-three cents, and for the necessary expenses of the Permanent Committee, thirty-nine dollars and fifty-six cents. All of the expenditures are classified and set forth in subdivisions 1 and 2 of Schedule 5, hereunder written;* and in Schedule 6, hereunder written, the payments to or for the use of ministers and missionaries during the third and fourth fiscal years are compared by Presbyteries. By the Summary of Account, it further appears that the payments during the year for the services of ministers or missionaries amounted to twelve thousand, eight hundred and fifty-three dollars and fifty-four cents; and for the expenses of administration, to one hundred and fifteen dollars and fifty-four cents;—these payments leaving a balance in the treasury of four thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars and ninety-seven cents. Inasmuch as a large balance in the treasury has in the past proved in some quarters a hinderance to contributions, your Treasurer has deemed it expedient to add a short statement to the summary of the year's account, whereby it appears that the balance at the close of the last year has already been reduced by sundry payments to the sum of one thousand six hundred and sixteen dollars and thirty-seven cents.

3. As we consider the work of the past year, some facts are seen that are of interest and importance.

For the first time in the history of the work, the sum asked by you from the churches and people has been raised; not only is this so, but more money has been raised than was asked for. In six Presbyteries there has been an increase in the number of churches contributing; in seven has there been an enlargement in the amount of the contributions. The people of five Presbyteries, Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, and West Jersey, have in their giving gone beyond the limit of your expectations; three of them notably so. The work is growing under your hands; without waste, more money has been laid out in advancement of the cause of missions than in any previous year. Notwithstanding this, the income has kept pace with the expenditure; we have not gone behindhand. These facts bear with them in the judgment of your Treasurer, three intimations. These are, firstly, that the time has come when you may safely ask for more money for the cause of Synodical Home Missions; secondly, that the sum required should no longer be apportioned among the Presbyteries by the methods of the tax gatherer, but according to an ability proved by the willing gifts of the past; thirdly, that if more money can be obtained, more may wisely be allotted to the Presbyteries for the undertaking and prosecution of important work.

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*Not printed, by order of Synod.

Amid so much that is pleasant, he may be deemed somewhat of a pessimist, who shall call attention to anything unpleasant. But facts of one kind as well as of another should be seen and acknowledged. There is a tendency, unhappily growing, to leave as much as possible of each year's work of giving to be done its closing days. In the first quarter of the second fiscal year, the contributions amounted to two thousand, one hundred and sixty-two dollars and thirty-four cents; in the same quarter of the third year, they fell to fifteen hundred and ninety-nine dollars and nine cents; and in the same quarter of the fourth year, they fell to thirteen hundred and forty-seven dollars and twelve cents. In the last quarter of the second fiscal year, the contributions were three thousand, seven hundred and sixty-six dollars and ninety-two cents; in the same quarter of the third year, they grew to five thousand, one hundred and twenty-nine dollars and ninety-five cents; and in the same quarter of the last year, to five thousand, nine hundred and fifty-nine dollars and one cent. The propensity referred to has in the past year brought about three consequences, which were, to say the least, inconvenient. In the time of poverty, your Permanent Committee has been perplexed in planning and hampered in acting; and your treasury has twice for weeks at a time been burdened with debt. In the time of riches, your Treasurer has scarcely found hours enough in the day for the discharge of the duties of his office. He cannot refrain from recommending every member of the Synod to do what in him lies to put an end to the propensity and with it its results.

All these matters and things are respectfully submitted this twenty-first day of October, A. D. eighteen hundred and ninety.

ELMER EWING GREEN,
Treasurer.

SCHEDULE 1.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

Contributions sought for the work of Synodical Home Missions for the year ending October 1st, 1890:

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth,	. . . . .	$2,128 00
" Presbytery of Jersey City,	. . . . .	1,149 00
" Presbytery of Monmouth,	. . . . .	1,012 00
" Presbytery of Morris and Orange,	. . . . .	2,173 00
" Presbytery of Newark,	. . . . .	2,266 00
" Presbytery of New Brunswick,	. . . . .	2,143 00
" Presbytery of Newton,	. . . . .	1,100 00
" Presbytery of West Jersey,	. . . . .	1,086 00
		$13,057 00

SCHEDULE 2.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

Sums allotted for use in the work of Synodical Home Missions for the year ending October 1st, 1890 :

To the	Presbytery of Elizabeth,	$300 00
"	Presbytery of Jersey City,	2,200 00
"	Presbytery of Monmouth,	3,600 00
"	Presbytery of Morris and Orange,	1,800 00
"	Presbytery of Newark,	800 00
"	Presbytery of New Brunswick,	500 00
"	Presbytery of Newton,	800 00
"	Presbytery of West Jersey,	3,600 00
		$13,600 00

SCHEDULE 3.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

Contributions to the work of Synodical Home Missions during the year ending October 1st, 1890.

FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.	Congregations.	Sabbath Schools.	Societies.
Basking Ridge,	$75 00		
Bayonne City, 1st,	36 00		
Bethlehem,	7 00		
Clarksville,	4 00		
Clinton,	70 00		
Connecticut Farms,	40 00		
Cranford,	19 00	$31 10	
Dunellen,	12 87	50 89	
Elizabeth, 1st,	120 00	20 00	
" 2d,		150 00	
" 3d,	65 00		$35 00
" 1st German,	10 00		
" Madison Avenue,	28 50		
" Marshall Street,	47 00		
" Siloam,	11 80		
" Westminster,	160 00		
Lamington,	61 20		
Liberty Corner,	20 00		
Lower Valley,	25 00		
Metuchen,	48 42		17 67
Perth Amboy,	60 00		
Plainfield, 1st,	84 00		
" Crescent Avenue,	250 00		
Pluckamin,	50 00		
Rahway, 1st,	88 29		
" 2d,	140 00		
" German,	3 00		
Roselle,	76 25		
Springfield,	46 00		
Westfield,	144 90		
Woodbridge,	51 88		

FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.	gregations.	Sabbath Schools.	Societies.
Arlington,	$10 00		
Avondale,			
Carlstadt,	17 00		
" Woodridge Chapel,			
Claremont,	21 00		
Englewood,	197 00		
" Calvary Chapel,			
Garfield,	6 61		
Hackensack,			
Hoboken,	28 00		
" Bethesda Chapel,			
Jersey City, 1st (Bergen),	125 00		
" 2d,	22 10		
" Scotch,	50 00		
" Chapel,	25 00		
" Westminster,	33 30		
Kingsland Mission Chapel,	5 00		
Newfoundland,	20 00		
Norwood,	5 00		
Passaic,	25 39	$58 53	
" Dundee Chapel,			
" German Evangelical,	6 57		
Paterson, 1st,	83 00		
" 2d,	184 72		
" Madison Avenue Chapel,			
" 3d,	10 00		
" 1st German,	14 00		
" Broadway German,		5 00	$5 00
" Church of the Redeemer,	100 00		
" East Side,	17 00		
" Westminster,	5 00		
Rutherford,	43 22	50 67	
" Lyndhurst Chapel,			

	Cong.	S. S.	Soc.
Tenafly,	$16 00	$14 00	
Weehawken,	3 00		
West Hoboken,	102 00		
" " Chapel,			
West Milford,	20 00		
The Churches of Paterson,	72 57		
FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH.			
Allentown,	45 00		
Asbury Park, 1st,			
" Westminster,	20 00		
Barnegat,	12 00		
Beverly,	43 80		
Bordentown,	26 00		
Burlington,	60 07		
Bustleton, Providence,	10 00		
Columbus,	12 00		
Cranbury, 1st,	81 60		
" 2d,	56 67		
Cream Ridge,	5 00		
Delanco,		10 00	
Englishtown,			
Farmingdale,	8 00		
Forked River,	7 40		
Freehold, 1st,	96 00		
Hightstown,	42 00		
Holmanville,	12 00		
Hope,	5 00		
Jacksonville,	10 30		
Jamesburg,	80 00		
Keyport,	7 60		
Lakewood,	22 00		
Long Branch,	15 00		
Manalapan,	14 32		
Manasquan,	30 20		
Manchester,	10 00		
Matawan,	87 80		
Moorestown,	10 00		
Mount Holly,	15 00		
New Gretna,	13 20		
Ocean Beach (Belmar),	10 00		
Oceanic,	16 80		

	Cong.	S. S.	Soc.
Perrineville,	$20 00		
Plattsburg,	4 00		
Plumstead (New Egypt),	4 00		
Point Pleasant,	8 00		
Red Bank,			
Riverton, Calvary,	15 40		
Sayreville, German,	20 00		
Shamong,			
Shrewsbury,	27 00		
South Amboy,	21 00		
Tennent,	63 00		
Toms' River,			
Tuckerton,	12 18		
Whiting,			
FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.			
Berkshire Valley,	6 50		
Boonton,	40 00		
Chatham,	65 00		
Chester,	10 00		
Dover,	100 82		
Dover, Welsh,	10 00	$5 53	
East Orange, 1st,	173 00		
" Bethel,	27 35		
" Brick (Orange 2d),	185 52		
Fairmount,	3 00		
Flanders,	20 00		
German Valley,	20 00		
Hanover, 1st,	40 00		
Madison,	150 00		
Mendham, 1st,	79 50		
" 2d,	20 00		
Mine Hill,	12 00		
Morris Plains,	71 90		
Morristown, 1st,	228 55		
" South Street,	225 00		
Mount Freedom,	10 00		
Mount Olive,	5 00		
Myersville, German,	10 00		
New Providence,	14 00		
New Vernon,	23 35		

Orange, 1st,	$250 00	
" Central,	150 00	
" German,	10 00	
" Hillside,	61 80	
" St. Cloud,	30 00	
Parsippany,	18 50	
Pleasantdale, German,	10 00	
Pleasant Grove,	12 50	
Rockaway,	43 50	
Schooley's Mountain,	20 00	
South Orange,	120 60	
Stirling,	10 92	
Succasunna,	15 00	
Summit, Central,	136 49	
Whippany,	27 00	
Wyoming,	6 30	
FROM AN INDIVIDUAL.		
Rev. A. Cushing Dill,	$2 00	
FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.		
Bloomfield, 1st,	129 56	
" German,	5 00	
" Westminster,	80 00	
Caldwell,	53 60	
East Newark, Knox,	13 50	
Lyons' Farms,	21 50	
Montclair, 1st,	64 94	
" Trinity,	60 00	
Newark, 1st,	250 00	
" 2d,	202 65	
" 3d,	200 00	
" 6th,	25 00	
" 1st German,	20 50	
" 2d German,	25 00	
" 3d German,	15 00	
" Bethany,	25 00	
" Calvary,	42 00	
" Central,	58 31	
" Fifth Avenue,	25 00	
" High Street,	120 00	
" Memorial,	12 25	
" Park,	200 00	
" Plane Street,	10 00	
" Roseville,	153 00	
Newark, South Park,	$200 00	
" Wickliffe,	25 00	
" Woodside,	16 00	
FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.		
Alexandria, 1st,	5 16	
Amwell, 1st (Reaville),	17 00	
" 2d (Mt. Airy),	17 30	
" United 1st (Ringoes)	2 00	
Bound Brook,	35 00	
Dayton,	40 09	
Dutch Neck,	40 00	
Ewing,	25 00	
Flemington	100 00	
Frenchtown,	21 00	$4 00
Hamilton Square,	15 00	
Holland	18 10	
Hopewell,	5 00	
Kingston,	10 00	
Kingwood,	3 00	
Lambertville,	60 00	
Lawrenceville,	40 00	
Milford,	38 20	
New Brunswick, 1st,	120 58	
" " 2d,	30 00	10 00
Pennington,	35 69	
Princeton, 1st,	62 01	
" 2d,	31 87	
" Witherspoon Street,	1 00	
Ringoes, Kirkpatrick Memorial,	5 00	
Stockton,	15 00	
Titusville,	25 00	
Trenton, 1st,	394 95	5 38
" Chapel,	5 00	
" 2d,	35 00	
" 3d,	127 25	
" 4th,	100 00	
" 5th,	15 00	
" Bethany,	27 00	
" Prospect Street,	189 85	
FROM INDIVIDUALS.		
A friend for credit of New Brunswick Presbytery,	$150 00	
F. L Janeway, New Brunswick, 1st,	350 00	

FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.	Cong.	S. S.	Soc.
Andover,	$7 33		
Asbury,	75 00		
Beattystown,	2 00		
Belvidere, 1st,	27 50		
" 2d,			
Blairstown,	125 00		
Bloomsbury,	19 57		
Branchville,	18 00		
Danville,			
Deckertown,	30 00		
Delaware,			
Greenwich,	10 00		
Hackettstown,	125 00		
Harmony,	25 00		
Hope,			
Johnsonsburg, Yellow Frame,	4 00		
Knowlton			
Lafayette,	11 00		
Maosfield, 2d,	3 00		
Marksboro,	4 25		
Montana,			
Musconetcong Valley,			
Newton,	125 00		
North Hardiston,	17 27		
Oxford, 1st (Belvidere),	20 00		
" 2d (Oxford),	5 00		
Papakating,	2 50		
Phillipsburgh, 1st,	38 65	$11 35	
" Westminster,	11 00		
Sparta,	15 00		
Stanhope,	5 00		
Stewartsville,	54 46		
Stillwater,	5 00		
Swartswood,			
Wantage, 1st (Deckertown),	20 00		
" 2d (Beemerville),	39 00		
Washington,	50 00		
FROM CONGREGATIONS, SABBATH-SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.			
Absecon,		11 00	$9 00
Atco,	10 00	2 30	
Atlantic City, 1st,	51 00		
Atlantic City, German,	$6 25		
Berlin,	25 00		
Billingsport,	9 50		
Blackwoodtown,	32 00	$7 60	
Bridgeton, 1st,	60 00	25 00	
" 2d,	74 80		
" West,	34 10	16 40	
Bunker Hill,	5 00		
Camden, 1st,	116 60	25 00	
" 2d,	59 50		
" 3d,	14 00		
" Liberty Park, German,	3 00		
Cape Island,		24 00	
Cedarville, 1st,	16 33		
" 2d,	2 00		
Clayton,	40 00		
Cold Spring,	11 00		
Deerfield,	35 00		
Elmer,		4 20	
Elwood, Brainerd,		1 56	
Fairfield,		4 00	
Glassboro',	7 00		
Gloucester City,	10 00	15 00	
Green Creek,	7 10		
Greenwich,			
Haddonfield,	25 00	1 85	
Hammonton,	24 50		
Holly Beach Mission,		4 66	
Janvier,	4 00	1 74	
Jericho,	5 00		
Leeds Point,	1 00		
Mays Landing,	3 00	10 00	$5 00
Merchantville,	21 00	22 13	
Millville,	11 00	7 81	
Pittsgrove,	32 00	18 00	
Pleasantville,	4 95	5 05	
Salem,	50 00	10 00	16 65
Swedesboro',	21 00		
Tuckahoe,	10 00	1 00	
Vineland,	30 00		
Waterford,	4 00		
Wenonah,	50 00		
Williamstown,	21 00	5 20	
Woodbury,	15 00		
Woodstown,	18 00		

SCHEDULE 4.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

Contributions by Presbyteries, during the third and fourth years, compared.

PRESBYTERY.	Number of Churches giving in 1888–9.	Number of Churches giving in 1889–90.	Increase or Decrease.	Gifts in 1888–9.	Gifts in 1889–90.	Increase or Decrease.
Elizabeth,	25	31	6	$1,343 64	$2,160 37	$816 73
Jersey City,	24	29	5	1,173 01	¶1,328 11	155 10
Monmouth,	44	42	D2	1,069 81	1,089 34	19 53
Morris and Orange,	41	41	. . .	**2,449 92	††2,469 63	19 71
Newark,	23	27	4	1,913 80	2,052 81	139 01
New Brunswick,	33	35	2	*†1,952 99	‡ ⁂1,881 43	D71 56
Newton,	28	29	1	893 95	905 88	11 93
West Jersey,	44	47	3	1,110 35	1,233 78	123 43

** One person, a pastor of a church within this Presbytery, contributed the further sum of $1.

* Of this sum $100 were privately contributed for the credit of the Presbytery.

† Two persons, members of churches within this Presbytery, contributed the further sum of $503.34.

¶ The Churches of Paterson contributed the further sum of $72.57.

†† One person, a pastor of a church within this Presbytery, contributed the further sum of $2.

‡ Of this sum $150 were privately contributed for the credit of the Presbytery.

⁂ One person, a member of a church within this Presbytery, contributed the further sum of $350.

SCHEDULE 6.

Referred to in the foregoing report as thereunder written.

Payments on account of appropriations for services, made during the third and fourth years, compared by Presbyteries.

PRESBYTERY.	No. of Churches, etc., where aid was received.		Increase or Decrease.	Payments in 1888–9.	Payments in 1889–90.	Increase or Decrease.
	1888–9	1889–90				
Elizabeth,	1	1	. . . .	$300 00	$300 00	. . . .
Jersey City,	8	10	2	1,669 50	2,178 50	$509 00
Monmouth,	19	17	D 2	†3,577 52	‡3,609 57	32 05
Morris and Orange,	9	9	. . . .	1,224 00	1,468 75	244 75
Newark,	4	4	. . . .	850 00	*744 16	D 105 84
New Brunswick,	3	3	. . . .	470 95	450 50	D 20 45
Newton,	6	6	. . . .	587 50	712 50	125 00
West Jersey,	19	21	2	†3,309 95	‡3,389 56	79 61

† These sums include the salaries of the Presbyterial Missionaries.

‡ These sums include the salaries of the Presbyterial Missionaries.

* This sum includes part of the salary of the Missionary to the Italians in Newark.

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT

For the year ending October 1st, 1890.

DR.

To balance from last year,	$3,999 13
" contributions during the year from congregations,	12,305 65
" " " " " Sabbath-schools,	649 95
" " " " " societies,	88 32
" " " " " individuals,	502 00
	$17,545 05

CR.

By payments for services of Ministers or Missionaries,	$12,853 54
" payments for printing, postage, traveling and other expenses,	115 54
	$12,969 08
Balance to next year,	4,575 97
	$17,545 05

ADDENDUM

For the time between October 1st, 1890, and October 20th, 1890.

DR.

To balance as above,	$4,575 97

CR.

By sundry payments,	$2,959 60
" balance,	1,616 37
	$4,575 97

ELMER EWING GREEN,
Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

F. W. BALDWIN,
JOHN D. RUE,
Finance Committee.

Dated October 21st, 1890.

IV*a*.—PLAN FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

I. CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

Every church is enjoined to take up an annual collection for the Board of Home Missions.

II. CONTRIBUTIONS TO SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

An annual collection shall also be taken in the churches for Synodical Home Missions. This shall take the place of the contributions heretofore made to the Sustentation Department of the Home Mission Board, from which collection the churches are hereby relieved.

When, however, in the judgment of the session of any church, it is impracticable or inexpedient to take separate collections for the Board of Home Missions and for Synodical Home Missions, then one collection shall be taken for both objects, and the session may apportion to the Synodical Home Missionary Work such sum as may, in their judgment, be proper.

III. TREASURER.

The Synod shall elect a Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions from within its own bounds, and subject to its control, for such term and under such conditions as it may, from time to time, determine. He shall receive all the funds contributed for Synodical Home Missions, and make payments as directed in Section VII.

IV. PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

The Synod shall appoint a Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, to consist of the Chairmen of Presbyterial Committees on Home Missions.

It shall be their duty to meet at least annually, before the meeting of Synod, and make an estimate of the amount needed to carry on the work of Synodical Home Missions for the ensuing year; to recommend to Synod the amount each Presbytery shall be authorized to draw from this fund; to recommend to Synod such measures as they may deem best to secure the amount needed; and to prepare an annual statement to be read to the churches at the time of taking the collection for Synodical Home Missions.

It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk of Synod to certify to the Treasurer the amount each Presbytery is authorized to draw for the ensuing year.

V. DISTRIBUTION BY PRESBYTERIES.

Each Presbytery shall have full authority to distribute the amount allotted to it by Synod, subject to the following conditions:

1. Presbytery shall endeavor to group contiguous churches receiving aid from this fund, and it shall be specially binding on Presbytery to group such churches when there is no near prospect of attaining self-support.

2. Ordinarily Presbytery shall require from the aid-receiving Churches a total contribution to the salary of the Pastor at least equal to an average of $6.50 per member. Exceptions to this rule will be allowed only for a limited time and upon special vote of Presbytery.

3. The Presbyterial Committee on Home Missions shall have personal conference with the Elders of the aid-receiving churches before recommending them to Presbytery.

4. If a Presbytery finds it desirable to appoint a Missionary to labor in any destitute region where a church is not organized, said Presbytery may use this fund to meet the exigencies of the case, without being subject to the foregoing conditions.

5. If a Presbytery finds it desirable to make an appropriation from this fund for temporary supplies to churches where it may not be possible or advisable to maintain a Pastor or Stated Supply, the Stated Clerk of Presbytery shall certify to the Treasurer the amount so appropriated, and the Chairman of the Presbyterial Committee shall be authorized to draw the same from the Treasurer to pay the temporary supplies therefrom, and any amount not so used shall be returned to the Treasurer.

6. If for any reason a Presbytery fails to use the whole of its allotment, the balance shall be subject to the control of the Synod.

VI. APPOINTMENTS.

Ministers or Missionaries shall be entitled to draw from this fund when appointed by the several Presbyteries within whose bounds they labor.

VII. PAYMENT OF SALARIES.

It shall be the duty of each Minister or Missionary receiving aid from this fund to make a full report of his work on the first day of January, April, July and October, to the Chairman of the Committee on Home Missions of the Presbytery within whose bounds he labors; and, upon the receipt and approval of such report, the Chairman shall issue to such Minister or Missionary his order on the Treasurer for the amount appropriated by the Presbytery for such service.

VIII. PLAN OF BEGINNING THE WORK.

Churches are urged to take up a collection for Synodical Home Missions at as early a date as practicable, if possible before the first of January, 1887.

Presbyteries shall continue to recommend churches to the Board of Home Missions, and the Sustentation Department of the Board of Home Missions, until January 1st, 1887; and all Ministers or Missionaries under the appointment of the Board shall maintain such relation until the expiration of their commissions.

On and after January 1st, 1887, Presbyteries shall cease to recommend Ministers or Missionaries to the Board of Home Missions and the Sustentation Department, and shall aid churches and appoint Ministers or Missionaries, as provided in this plan.

N. B.—At the meeting of Synod, October, 1887, it was resolved: That the fiscal year of Synodical Home Missions begin October 1st.

V.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON UNEMPLOYED MINISTERS AND VACANT CHURCHES.

The Committee on Vacant Churches and Unemployed Ministers would respectfully report:

It is doubtless known to the members of this Synod that at the last General Assembly the Sub-committee of the Committee on the Increase of the Supply of Ministers, consisting of the Rev. Drs. Herrick Johnson and S. J. McPherson, to whom had been referred the particular subject of the Vacant Churches and Unemployed Ministers, reported, recommending the adoption of a new law, to be known as "The Plan of Ministerial Adjustment." This plan was referred to the next General Assembly for consideration.

In the meantime the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly was instructed to transmit the report to the Stated Clerks of the several Presbyteries, with the request that the Presbyteries send up their opinions thereon by January 1st, 1891, and that these opinions, with the report, be considered by the next General Assembly.

It will be observed, therefore, that the whole subject is before the church for a most thorough consideration. In the judgment of your Committee there would be a manifest impropriety in the Synod doing more, at the present time, than to call the attention of the several Presbyteries to the request of the General Assembly, and to urge that the gravity and importance of this matter demand the most thoughtful and conscientious consideration, that although the time is short, those Presbyteries, if any such there be, which have not already taken action, should certainly do so, even if such action should require a special meeting.

While it may be true, that in the older and stronger portions of the church, the vacant church or the unemployed minister is a very small factor, still in the newer and consequently not less important portions it assumes proportions of no small magnitude—while in all parts of the church, the evils that are incidental thereto, as may be seen in the report of the Assembly's Committee, are simply appalling.

We would therefore recommend that Presbyteries give to this matter immediate and careful consideration, that the next Assembly may have before it the material for wise and helpful action.

The following table will show the conditions of the churches and ministers within the bounds of this Synod (excepting the Presbytery of Corisco):

Whole number of churches,		293
With pastors,	229	
" stated supplies,	32	
" pastors elect,	7	
Vacant churches,	25	
		293

Whole number of ministers,	392
Number of pastors,	219
Number of stated supplies,	20
Not available as pastors,*	115
Without charge,	28

* Professors and teachers, 32; chaplains and *in transitu*, 14; foreign missionaries, 20; honorably retired, 17; evangelists, 6; licentiates, 6; pastors emeritus, 2; associate ministers, 6; pastors-elect, 5; missionaries, 7.

J. R. FISHER, *Chairman*,
SAMUEL PARRY,
JULIUS H. WOLFF,
A. H. DASHIELL,
ALLEN H. BROWN.

VI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON WORK AMONG THE GERMANS.

Your Committee on Work Among the Germans would report that there are, in connection with the Synod, fifteen German churches, with a membership of 1,925 communicants, and a Sabbath-school membership of 1,676. There were added on examination last year 158 on confession of faith.

These churches are distributed as follows:

Presbytery.	Number of Churches.	Membership.	Sabbath Schools.	Added on Examination.
Elizabeth, ...	2	264	424	62
Jersey City, ...	4	421	592	30
Morris and Orange, ...	3	280	291	6
Newark, ...	4	791	1,379	50
West Jersey, ...	1	62	80	. .
Monmouth, ...	1	107	110	10
Totals, ...	15	1,925	1,676	158

Two other Christian bodies—closely allied with the Presbyterian family, and with whom it is hoped a still closer union will be formed—are doing work among the German-speaking population of New Jersey, viz., the Reformed Dutch and the German Reformed.

The former have eight German churches—in Hoboken, Hackensack, Hudson City, Jersey City, Newark, Plainfield, New Brunswick and Raritan—with a church membership of 1,731 and a Sabbath-school membership of 1,978.

The German Reformed brethern have three churches—in Glassboro, Egg Harbor and Folsom—with 160 members and a Sabbath-school membership of 125.

It would be an important step forward and productive of great good, if these three sister denominations were united in a common work among the German-speaking people of our State.

The new impetus given to German immigration within the past twenty-five years gives great importance to all measures adopted for their evangelization, and for a permanent supply of faithful ministers of the Word.

There are probably upwards of five millions in our country who use the German language.

Germans are a thinking people and usually have strong convictions. The only true method of moulding the life and character of this great and important element of our country's population, is by the organization of Sabbath-schools and churches, and placing them under the control of an educated ministry, sound in doctrine, evangelical in spirit, and thoroughly equipped for their work by the best training that can be furnished. This gives special importance

to the opportunity before this Synod in having within its bounds one of the two Presbyterian Theological Schools whose work is the training of German ministers.

The German Theological School at Bloomfield reports a year—last year—of more than ordinary prosperity. The year closed with current expenses all paid, and only $100 left of indebtedness. Five students were graduated from the Theological Department last June. The Synodical missionaries of Texas and Wisconsin, who visited the Seminary, would each gladly have taken the whole class and given work to them in their respective fields. Like calls come from other States. The new year has opened with 43 students, an increase over last year of seven. Of these, 13 are in the Theological Department. But this present and prospective increase of students means an increase of expense, and therefore demands an added increase of sympathy and co-operation on the part of our churches.

This Synod may well be congratulated on its interest in the great work of furnishing an educated and faithful band of German ministers; but the real magnitude of the work to be done among the Germans has hardly yet begun to lay hold of our own hearts and of our churches. May the Lord quicken in us a sense of our opportunity and our privilege.

ALBERT ERDMAN,
Chairman.

VII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The question of Sabbath observance has entered the arena, whereon the problems of sociology are contending. The Sabbath has its place among the civil institutions of our country, and has been recognized from the beginning of our history. As such it is upheld and guarded by the State; and as such it must prove its right to be fostered, and so the civil aspects of the Lord's Day become one of the questions of the hour. It lifts up its voice and is heard throughout the land. The ebb-tide continues to drain the streams within the reach of its flow, even when the flood-tide has set in from the ocean. So, though a wide-spread and multifarious desecration of Sunday prevails, yet a strong public sentiment is forming that will make itself felt ere long. And, with the divine blessing, the American Sabbath Union is mainly instrumental in producing this result. The enemies of the Sabbath are met by a gradually increasing opposition. This is manifest in many directions. This report can indicate only a few. Beginning in our own State—at Long Branch a new Board of Commissioners was elected last spring on the pledge that they would close saloons on Sunday, and they have kept their promise. The Citizens' Law and Order League of Newark have continued their war against the non-enforcement of Sunday law. Especially in Elizabeth has a vigorous campaign been prosecuted; where 150 places were open on Sunday, in a city of 35,000 inhabitants—crockery, clothing, dry goods, furniture stores, in addition to saloons. The order of Mayor Rankin, issued last February, was accompanied by a strong presentation of the claims of the Sabbath. This action met with a co-operation from most of those shop-keepers who had been depriving themselves of a day of rest because they were afraid of losing their trade. This movement was received with general approbation. And thus, what was deemed impossible was accomplished by the firmness of the Mayor and the co-operation of the citizens. This summer an effort was made to prohibit base-ball, and all public merry-making within the precincts of Atlantic City. And although apparently little was accomplished, the prospect is that by another year a check may be administered to the desecration of the Sabbath, which has been a stain upon that city. The clergymen of all denominations are united in an effort for this purpose. In different parts of the State meetings have been held by the Secretaries of the American Sabbath Union, at the request of the New Jersey Sabbath Union; and in some counties organizations have been formed.

Outside the State signs of progress are manifest. Supplies of the Sabbath literature, published by the American Sabbath Union, are

called for from all parts of our country, and from Brazil and Japan. In St. Louis and Cincinnati the last expositions were closed on Sunday, in deference to public opinion. Eight hundred barbers in New York City sent a communication last May to the Mayor, asking for relief from work on Sunday. The Clerk's Union of Duluth, Minn., caused the arrest of retail dealers for keeping their stores open on Sunday. The good effect of the International Sabbath Conference, held in Paris a year ago, is witnessed; in that the French government has decided that working people are to have a rest of one day in seven. Although the Legislature has declined as yet to appoint Sunday as that day, yet the large vote in its favor shows that it will probably do so. Also, Committees are formed in many towns to advance the observance of the Sabbath; and it is now proposed to organize a National Association for that purpose. The German and Austrian governments are seeking, by legislation, to secure more rest on that day for the people.

Last year your Committee stated that base-ball associations were beginning to desecrate the Sabbath by their games. This has been the case widely during the summer of this year, and the evil has invaded this State. In Jersey City, Newark, Gloucester, Atlantic City and other parts of the State games have been played frequently on Sunday. Experience proves that they furnish opportunities for liquor selling, gambling, betting and disorders of various kinds. Most of the patrons of these games are young men and lads, many of whom are enticed away from Sunday-school and ensnared into criminal conduct. These Sunday games have become a serious menace to the communities that tolerate them. They are so pernicious and so fruitful of vice that we may be well alarmed at their increase. It is high time for all classes of reputable citizens to stamp out this insufferable nuisance.

The great struggle on behalf of Sabbath observance that now is upon us is whether the Columbian Exposition shall be opened on Sunday. It may seem premature to discuss this question now, but already the request has been made to the commissioners for its opening on that day, and before this Synod meets again a decision will probably be reached; hence there should be a concerted, organized and persistent movement over the whole country to protest against any decision that shall desecrate our Holy Day. In view of this the chairman of your Committee addressed a circular letter, in his official capacity, to all the Synods which are connected with our General Assembly, suggesting that each Synod prepare such resolutions as might be deemed suitable on this subject, and forward them to the commissioners. In all probability this will be done, and the voice of the Presbyterian Church North will be lifted up in one united and firm protest against such a desecration of the Lord's Day. Indeed, the secretary of the commissioners has re-

quested expressions of opinion on this matter, therefore conventions and Presbyteries should hasten to send in their resolutions.

Certainly it is not required that your Committee should attempt to present reasons why this menace to our Sabbath should be firmly resisted. We are facing a crisis. If the friends of the Sabbath are victorious, then God's Day will be more strongly entrenched among our institutions than ever before; but if we are defeated it will be a sore disaster. It will be the severest blow the Sabbath has ever received in this land. "The beauty of Israel will be slain upon our high places."

The day called the Lord's Day or Sunday has been cherished from the earliest beginning of our colonial history; it has been guarded by statute laws in nearly every State and Territory of our Union; it has been respected and observed, again and again, by our distinguished statesmen and by the highest officers in our army and navy in all parts of the world; and it is endeared to the conscientious convictions and habits of the many millions of professing Christians in our country, both Protestant and Roman Catholic. In these are embodied, and with them are associated the patient industry, the material thrift, the intelligence, the learning, the morality, the patriotism, and the exalted virtues, which alone are the glory and the strength of any people. To open the Exposition on Sunday would, therefore, do violence to the sentiment of three-fourths of our population. It would be an open affront to the entire Christian community. It would be hailed with the highest satisfaction by the lawless element in our land. It would be concurring with the communistic and anarchistic spirit, which is seething and foaming in our great cities. Inasmuch as this Exposition is national—in the aid extended by Congress, and is also governmental, in that Congress has appointed persons to represent it on this Commission—whatever is done by the Commissioners necessarily implicates the United States. Therefore, to open the Exposition on Sunday would be really the nation disregarding its own Sabbath, and violating its own laws. And this would become the first open and sanctioned instance in our entire history. It would also be contrary to the example set at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia in 1876. Also, it would be contrary to the example set by the English-speaking exhibitors, both from this country and from Great Britain and her colonies, in the Exposition in Paris in 1889.

We cannot refrain from declaring most emphatically that to open this Exposition on the Sabbath would tarnish the illustrious record of our past history as the nation which has guarded for the toiler the weekly day of rest. And it would discourage the friends of the laborer in all Christendom; and even in Japan and India, who are striving to obtain for them the same blessing.

Your Committee recommend these resolutions for adoption:

1. Our pastors, ruling elders and members of our churches are earnestly exhorted to employ all moral and legal measures to prevent the playing of base-ball games on Sunday in any locality where it may be attempted.

2. The Synod directs the transmission of the following memorial:

To the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition of the United States of America:

GENTLEMEN—The Synod of the Presbyterian Church in New Jersey respectfully petition your honorable body that the gates of the Exposition shall be closed on Sunday, the common weekly day of rest.

We ask this for the following reason: Since the beginning of the nation the great majority of our people have esteemed the weekly or Sunday rest as an institution to be carefully guarded and honored. For the many physical and moral as well as religious benefits which it secures, they have been constrained thus to regard it. So has it been in the past, and the same is true to-day. So, then, that we keep in line with our previous history, also that the moral character of our people be recognized and promoted, and that the needed rest, especially of those employed in the Exposition, be permitted, we desire that our petition be granted.

3. The Stated Clerk is directed to send a certified copy of the second resolution to the Commissioners of the Columbian Exposition, and a copy to the American Sabbath Union.

GEO. S. MOTT,
Chairman.

VIII.—REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON GATHERING AND PRESERVING HISTORICAL MATERIALS.

The Committee has but little to communicate to the Synod in reference to the matter committed to its care. It is happy to announce that the Clerk of the Synod has made excellent arrangements for the reception and preservation, in the fire-proof room assigned him in the Lenox Library of the Theological Seminary, at Princeton, of all historical documents printed or manuscript relating to the Presbyterian Church, that may be presented to the Synod or committed to the Clerk or the Committee for safe-keeping.

The Presbytery of Monmouth is the first to avail itself of the facilities offered by depositing in this room three (3) volumes of its Minutes. It is hoped that other Presbyteries may imitate this good example, always taking care that the Clerk of each Presbytery retains the "rough minutes," thus affording double security for their preservation.

A number of pamphlets, chiefly historical sermons or memorial discourses, have also been received. The Committee would again remind the members of the Synod that these publications possess an historical value that increases with the lapse of time, and respectfully suggests that all would contribute to this collection.

The Rev. Allen H. Brown, a member of this Committee, has made a very interesting collection of letters and other manuscripts, and of pamphlets, all of which have been deposited in Historical Room, as it may be termed, at Princeton. A complete catalogue of them accompanies this report. It will be instructive and interesting to name some of them:

1. Autograph letter of Dr. Archibald Alexander to Jonathan Freeman, March 4th, 1819.

2. Original letter of June 20th, 1864, from the Delaware Indian woman in Wisconsin, of whom the Rev. Cutting Marsh obtained the facts and traditions printed in the Appendix to the "Life of John Brainerd," pp. 459–462. This letter, with that of Miss S. E. Marsh, in the "New York Evangelist" of February 7th, 1839, proves that the conch shell which Dr. Breed deposited with the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia, is the identical shell used by John and (probably) David Brainerd to convene the Indians for public worship in New Jersey.

3. An interesting collection of papers and manuscript discourses of the Rev. Jonathan Freeman, pastor at Bridgeton in the early part of this century.

4. Also pamphlets and papers containing important material for the history of the Presbyterian Church in South Jersey.

5. A volume of records of the extinct church of Howell, of Monmouth county, containing, among other things, a list of members of the historical church of Freehold, almost complete from 1776 to 1829. It also gives the names of seventeen ruling elders from John Baird, in 1776, to William Denice, in 1831.

6. The minutes (2 Vols.) of the Church Extension Committee of the Presbytery of West Jersey from April 1st, 1849, to June 25th, 1889.

The Clerk of the Synod has been so fortunate as to find a volume of sermons by the Rev. Gilbert Tennent, published in 1757, which is not noticed in the list of his works in the recent History of the Log College by Dr. Murphy. With this he has also obtained the memoir of the Life of William Tennent, with an account of his trance, published at Trenton, 1810. These he has placed among the Synod's collections.

The Committee respectfully recommend that the Rev. Walter A. Brooks, the Clerk of the Synod, and the Rev. Joseph H. Dulles, the Librarian of the Princeton Theological Seminary, be appointed custodians of all books and documents presented or committed to the care of the Synod, and that they be authorized to provide pasteboard cases for the preservation of pamphlets and manuscripts.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee.

HENRY C. CAMERON,
Chairman.

Any minister or elder of Synod will receive a copy of the Sketch of the History of Synod, with a map of the Presbyteries and churches, by sending his address and two cents postage to the Stated Clerk.

IX.—REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SECTARIAN INFLUENCES IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

The Committee on Sectarian Influences in Public Institutions would report as follows:

The matter which has been before your Committee for two or three years has been the assertion and prevalence of Romish influence in the Reform School of Jamesburg. We are glad to say that for the time being, at least, and in a good measure, so far as we can see, the difficulties there have adjusted themselves. To the mind of your Committee, considering the fact that the youth in that school are about equally divided, as would appear, between Romanism and Protestantism, and the Board of Trustees at present is also equally balanced between the two faiths, and considering the further fact that that Board has appointed two Chaplains, one of the Catholic order and the other of the Protestant, at the same salary, and both upon the ground, with equal access to the Institution, and to whose services the boys go from time to time by a kind of elective affinity, there seems, to the judgment of your Committee, to be nothing fairer than this under the circumstances to be done; and any attempt at anything more would only irritate, and probably defeat any good that is now being attempted on the Protestant side.

We, therefore, recommend the following:

1. *Resolved*, That inasmuch as a comparatively fair adjustment of the former religious difficulty in the Jamesburg Reform School has been accomplished, nothing remains for the present to be reached more effectual.

2. *Resolved*, That these things being so, and there seeming to be no further work for your Committee to accomplish, it be therefore discharged.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

J. M. McNULTY,
Chairman pro tem.

X.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS AND SUSTENTATION.

Synod's Committee on Home Missions would respectfully but earnestly call the attention of the Synod to the peculiar exigencies of our great home work.

It is a matter for devout thankfulness and of great joy, that our scheme of Synodical Home Missions has been so singularly successful. Although other Synods have failed in their incipient efforts in this direction, ours has been able fully to maintain the feeble churches within our own bounds, and at the same time give even a larger amount to the Home Board than in previous years. This result has not come of itself, but is due to earnest, persistent, untiring effort on the part of the Committees on Synodical Home Missions, both of the Synod and of the various Presbyteries; and also to the determination on the part of pastors and churches that the general work of the Board should not be suffered to fall behind because of the special work that has been undertaken.

As a Synod, therefore, our interest in Home Missions has not flagged, nor have our contributions been in any wise diminished. But even to *hold* our foremost place necessitates an earnest effort to advance, for in this, as in other things, we cannot "stand still." To fail to go forward is surely to go backward. "Unto every one which hath, shall be given; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him."

But the demands of a *greatly enlarging work* are upon us. The chairman of the General Assembly's Standing Committee on Home Missions has well said, in the opening sentences of his report: "He has lived a generation who has served Home Missions during the past year. He has witnessed changes in populations, in possessions, in facilities for education, and in the development of Christianity, which thirty years could not compass a century ago." Only those who are in continuous touch with the work can comprehend how its demands are year by year increasing. We dare not shut our ears to the *new* calls coming from North, South, East and West, in fact, from every quarter of this vast continent. New territories are being opened; new towns are everywhere springing up; new cities are leaping into great populations and into vast wealth. And these new places must be furnished with the Gospel, and at once. Our Board, therefore, ought to be supplied with means sufficient to enable it to seize upon important strategic points without delay. To fail in supporting the Board in its efforts to keep pace with the forward movement all about us, is to fail to embrace the distinctive opportunities which the Head of the Church has given to us in our brief day. Young organizations are, through the Board's fostering care, becoming strong and wealthy; and will soon, with open hand and active

effort, help build up other organizations. Take one or two illustrations. A church was organized in a far Western State seventeen years ago with four members, three women and one man; it has to-day more than 200 members; it gives liberally to all the Boards of the church, and within a few weeks has gone into a new stone edifice with the most complete and elegant appointments, and which with the ground upon which it is built is worth more than $50,000. Another church in the same State, organized about the same time, has now over 325 members. It has recently completed a beautiful house of worship, which with its grounds is worth more than $60,000. And it gave last year $1,500 to Home Missions, over $1,400 to Foreign Missions, and to the other Boards liberally. Thus a little help furnished these organizations in their infancy, not only soon brings them into self-support, but enables them in turn to help on in the general cause.

But the claims the Home Board has upon us for its *ordinary* work and for the *new* work from time to time providentially thrust upon it are *supplemented* this year by some that are peculiarly pressing. As is well known, the Board closed the year with a debt upon it of $80,391.94. It is true that, of this sum, $15,021.27 was on account of teachers and chapels, and $28,551.33 was for New York Synodical Home Missions, leaving only the balance, $38,819.34, for Home Missions proper, and yet the whole amount is in reality for Home Mission work. Nor have the months since the close of the annual report bettered the situation, but the rather have made the showing worse. The appeals of the Board are most urgent for immediate help. Now, not only does this heavy debt hamper and hinder the regular work of the Board and prevent new work from being undertaken to any considerable extent, but it brings special hardships to our already half-paid and straitened missionaries and their families. Many of these missionaries are laboring in portions of the country where, during the current year, there have been failures of crops through drought, and where the people, in consequence, have been compelled to reduce and in some cases entirely withhold their contributions to the minister's support; and some of these ministers, by reason of the Board's inability to pay them the amount upon which they have relied, are compelled to borrow money at 1½ and 2 per cent. per month; others of them are suffering from the want of the very necessaries of life, and yet others are casting about for secular work in which they may engage, in order to support themselves and their families during the financial stress of the Board or for after life.

Does not this emergency call for special effort upon our part for the relief of the Board and of these suffering brethren and their families? There are times when we should let our hearts tell out the full measure of their love for Christ and for His cause; times

when we should bring out and break our precious alabaster boxes over the body of our dear Lord. Is not this such a time? Men and brethren, help!

Your Committee recognizes the increasing efficiency of the Woman's Society of Home Missions, whose gifts during the past year have exceeded those of the year previous by more than two thousand dollars in money and more than one thousand dollars in the total contribution, which amounts to $28,320.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. H. YOUNG,
Chairman.

XI.—THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The receipts during the year ending March 31st, 1890, and paid to the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions, are as follows:

Presbyteries.	Value of Boxes.	Money.	Total for each Society.
Elizabeth,	$1,835 20	$3,479 78	$5,314 98
Jersey City,	352 00	1,024 47	1,376 47
Monmouth,	901 00	1,145 43	2,046 43
Morris and Orange,	4,919 59	3,651 20	8,570 79
Newark,	1,498 78	1,238 66	2,737 44
New Brunswick,	2,696 22	1,592 81	4,289 03
Newton,	.883 20	1,266 10	2,149 30
West Jersey,	949 06	896 50	1,845 56
Total,	$14,035 05	$14,294 95	$28,330 00

While the "Value of Boxes" is less by $1,403.45 than that of last year, it is very gratifying to report an advance in cash receipts of $2,433.56, and had *all* the money been sent through the *Presbyterial* Treasurers, an advance over last year of $4,003.94 could have been reported, as the books of the Treasurer of the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions credit the Synodical Society of New Jersey from April 1st, 1889, to April 1st, 1890, with $17,441.12. (See Home Mission Monthly for June, 1890, page 178.)

The present report shows 173 societies with 6,830 members, 78 bands and 39 Sunday-schools contributing. The subscription list to the *Home Mission Monthly* is 740.

The number of pupils on scholarships paid for by societies, bands and Sunday-schools is 64, an increase of 13 over last year.

Thirteen missionary teachers are adopted by six of the Presbyterial Societies. Four by Elizabeth Society, one by Jersey City, one by Monmouth, three by Morris and Orange, three by Newark and one by Newton.

The New Jersey Academy building at Logan, Utah, is almost completed and ready for furnishing. As a boarding and day school it opened September 8th, under very favorable auspices. The total amount raised for the building is $7,148.84, and for furnishing, $1,804.63, making $8,953.47.

Believing the work of securing the means for furnishing could be best accomplished by a special committee, last April your Executive Committee appointed the President and Mrs. Samuel Milliken, of Plainfield, to take personal charge of the matter. The figures given you, and the furnished building that will soon be ready for occu-

pancy, show how ably and successfully they have performed their duty. With a printed circular announcing the near completion of the building and needs for furnishing, a brief letter was sent to every society, and where no society existed, to the wife of the pastor, or some influential lady in his church, requesting aid in this work, and expressing the hope that this be made an opportunity for thorough organization in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This work has required the writing of between 200 and 300 letters, and in money the result is $1,804.63. Beside the cash donations, societies have sent quantities of bedding and household articles—entirely too long a list to present here—all of which have been duly credited. The $1,804.63 is a larger sum than was originally asked for, but it will all be needed, as several quite expensive articles have been deemed indispensable, as refrigerator, furnace and piano. Every effort has been made to obtain the lowest prices consistent with getting goods that would last. A $725 piano was obtained for $300, and carpets were purchased much below cost. Realizing the blessing this school will be in the years to come, who among us but will feel "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The Synod, ever ready to cheer with encouraging words, at its last meeting resolved :

2. That we recognize the great efficiency of the work of our Christian women, and, invoking their further aid, bid them Godspeed in their self-sacrificing endeavors.

3. That we note with great pleasure the contributions made to this cause by the Sabbath-schools and the Young People's Societies of our churches, and we sincerely trust that, in increasing numbers, they may give us their very efficient aid during the current year.

In reviewing the work of each Presbyterial Society, as the receipts reported by the Presbyterial Treasurers have been previously given, those credited to each on the books of the Woman's Executive Committee will be reported here, that it may be seen how much more could have been credited had local societies adhered strictly to established rules.

Elizabeth Presbytery reports 23 societies and 2 churches contributing, 1290 members, 8 bands, 7 Sunday-schools contributing, and 201 Home Mission Monthlies in circulation. This Society supports four missionary teachers: Misses Clara Pierce, American Fork; C. B. Sullivan, Payson; C. M. Larsen, Mt. Pleasant, and Mrs. C. M. Parks, Logan, all of Utah. Cash paid Woman's Executive Committee, $4,046.13.

Jersey City Society reports 14 organizations, with 455 members, 30 magazines in circulation, and cash to Woman's Executive Committee, $1,209.92. One teacher represents this Society in the field, Miss C. B. Pond, Zuni, New Mexico.

The societies in Monmouth Presbytery number 12, with 447 members, 10 bands, 5 Sabbath-schools contributing and 71 magazines in circulation. Miss G. O. Whiteman, of Salt Lake City, Utah, is their adopted missionary. The Woman's Executive Committee credits this Society with $1,255.37.

Morris and Orange reports 42 societies, with 2,149 members, 17 bands, 12 Sabbath-schools contributing, 93 magazines in circulation, and cash paid Woman's Executive Committee, $3,759.51. This Society still claims, by adoption, the missionary teachers Mrs. and Miss Greene, Gunnison, Utah, and Miss M. A. Diament, Wewoka, Indian Territory.

Newark Presbyterial numbers 16 organizations, with 554 members, 8 bands, 4 Sabbath-schools contributing, 27 copies of Home Mission Monthly taken and $2,272.37 paid into the treasury of the Woman's Executive Committee. To the two teachers this Society supported last year, Miss M. D. Gray, Benjamin, Utah, and Miss Alice M. Peck, of Spring City, has been added a third, Miss Clara Charles, Atoka, Indian Territory.

New Brunswick Presbytery reports 28 societies, 651 members, 7 Bands, 4 Sabbath-schools contributing, 170 copies of Home Mission Monthly taken and $2,165.54 paid in to the treasury of Woman's Executive Committee.

The Society in Newton Presbytery shows 25 organizations, with 846 members, 20 bands, 2 Sunday-schools contributing, 98 magazines in circulation and $1,571.22 paid into the treasury of Woman's Executive Committee. One missionary teacher, Miss P. J. Hart, is theirs by adoption.

Last upon the list is West Jersey Presbyterial Society, with her 16 organizations, 438 members, 8 bands, 5 Sabbath-schools contributing, 50 copies of magazine subscribed for and $1,161,06 cash paid Woman's Executive Committee.

This completes the summary of the year's work. Did time permit, many facts and incidents could be reported showing the interest and enthusiasm manifested in the different objects, but especially in the completion and furnishing of New Jersey Academy. The marked success of this effort is encouragement to adopt another new enterprise.

MARY E. TRUAX,
Corresponding Secretary.

XII.—ANNUAL MEETING OF WOMAN'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions, in the Synod of New Jersey, was held in the First Presbyterian Church, Camden, N. J., October 15th, 1890.

A joint prayer meeting of the Home and Foreign Synodical Committees was held at 9:30 A.M., led by Mrs. Gillespie, of Elizabeth.

At 2 o'clock P.M. the regular meeting was opened with a Responsive Bible Reading, led by the President, Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, which was followed with prayer by Mrs. Stryker, of Philadelphia.

In the absence of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. Marshall Paul was asked to record the minutes of this meeting. Seventy delegates, representing seven Presbyteries, responded to the roll-call. The minutes of the last meeting, held at New Brunswick, were read and approved.

Remarks by the President were listened to with great pleasure and satisfaction. The completion of the New Jersey Academy, at Logan, Utah, and the entire furnishing thereof, was a matter of encouragement and sincere congratulation.

A suggestion was presented by the Woman's Executive Committee, through the President, that the Synodical Committee undertake to build a hospital at Tucson, Arizona—at an expense of one thousand dollars—to be connected with the Industrial School there.

The Corresponding Secretary's report was of much interest. The increase in contributions throughout the State, and manifest growth of Home Mission work, are most gratifying.

This report was accepted and adopted, and ordered forwarded to Synod. The report of the Contingent Fund followed.

It was moved and carried that, in addition to the traveling expenses, the board of the President, or her alternate, the Corresponding Secretary, be paid by the Synodical Treasurer, when the President, or her alternate, attends the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Executive Committee held in connection with the General Assembly.

A Committee on Nominations was appointed.

Rev. Mr. Loucks, the pastor, gave some very interesting points of information in regard to the Woman's Home Mission work in New Jersey, as compared with that of other States.

Dr. Nelson, editor of the "Church at Home and Abroad," made an address in which he warned the Committee of the danger at hand, of their allowing the men to give over to the women all the Home Mission work of the State, and urged them to use their "persuasive and potent influence to win them to better and more earnest work."

A letter from Mrs. Shirley, matron of the "New Jersey Academy," at Logan, Utah, was read, in which thanks were given for the suitable and abundant furnishings of the rooms in the institution.

Miss Wilkins, of Indian Territory, next gave an instructive and detailed account of the work at Wewoka School, with which she is connected.

Miss Robertson, of Musgogee, Indian Territory, was invited to address the meeting.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted, by a rising vote:

"That we will accede to the request of the Woman's Executive Committee, and make a prayerful, systematic and united effort to raise the sum necessary to erect a hospital at Tucson, Arizona."

The report of the Nominating Committee was adopted, and the following officers were elected:

President—MRS. W. E. HONEYMAN, Plainfield.
Vice-President—MRS. J. H. OWENS, Perth Amboy.
" " —MRS. J. B. BEAUMONT, Chatham.
" " —MRS. J. MARSHALL PAUL, Montclair.
" " —MRS. JAMES MOSES, Trenton.
" " —MRS. WILLIAM THOMSON, Stewartsville.
Corresponding Secretary—MRS. SAMUEL MILLIKEN, Plainfield.
Recording Secretary—MRS. C. H. LANGDON, Elizabeth.
Treasurer Contingent Fund—MRS. MARY E. TRUAX, Perth Amboy.

PRESBYTERIAL COMMITTEES.

ELIZABETH.

Mrs. E. B. Cobb, Elizabeth.
Mrs. W. P. Stevenson, Roselle.
Mrs. J. M. McNulty, Woodbridge.
Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, Plainfield.
Mrs. C. H. Langdon, Elizabeth.

JERSEY CITY.

Miss Annie Van Winkle, Paterson.
Mrs. C. D. Shaw, Paterson.
Mrs. Howell, Hoboken.

MONMOUTH.

Mrs. Dr. Long, Freehold.
Mrs. H. V. Deshler, Hightstown.
Mrs. B. S. Everitt, Jamesburg.

MORRIS AND ORANGE.

Mrs. Robert Aikman, Madison.
Mrs. J. B. Beaumont, Chatham.
Mrs. F. A. Gile, East Orange.
Mrs. Albert Erdman, Morristown.

NEWARK.

Miss Julia Halsey, Roseville.
Mrs. Paul Babcock, Montclair.
Mrs. A. V. Van Vliet, Newark.
Mrs. George A. Paull, Bloomfield.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mrs. Chas. Brearley, Trenton.
Miss Janeway, New Brunswick.
Miss Margaret Sloan, Trenton.
Mrs. James Moses, Trenton.
Mrs. James Ronan, Trenton.

NEWTON.

Mrs. A. C. Vlick, Washington.
Mrs. William Morrow, Belvidere.
Mrs. D. C. Blair, Belvidere.
Mrs. William Thomson, Stewartsville.
Mrs. McMurtry, Newton.

WEST JERSEY.

Miss Nellie M. Skinner, Woodbury.
Miss Ruth James, Bridgeton.
Mrs. A. M. Reeder, Camden.

After a collection and a vote of thanks, the Committee adjourned to meet in Jersey City, October, 1891. Closed with the benediction by Rev. Mr. Loucks, the pastor.

EMMA N. PAUL,
Recording Secretary pro tem.

XIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Committee on Foreign Missions would respectfully report that they have held four meetings during the year, and have carefully considered the interests committed to them. They have felt the peculiar difficulties which meet the church in this part of the great work. They have sought light from above, and respectfully submit to the Synod as their report the following statements and suggestions: First, a brief history of the work accomplished in the past; second, the financial conditions and aspects of the present, and, third, the duty for the future—or a plan to awaken, enlarge and make permanent and fruitful a deeper and wider interest in this blessed work, to which the Master now calls all His servants as never before.

They further submit to the Synod a copy of the Minutes of the Committee.

PART I.

The Standing-Committee of Synod upon Foreign-Missions, was enlarged last year by the addition of the members of Synod's Special Committee on Simultaneous Meetings. The motion in Synod which originated the latter committee, was made in response to appeals from our Foreign Board, which had (see Assembly's Minutes 1886, p. 51) been deploring the "fact that as a body of God's people we [our whole Church] seem to have ceased to advance in this great undertaking of evangelizing the world." At that time the Church Missionary Society in England had just brought to public notice the scheme which they styled "Simultaneous Meetings." The motion in Synod proposed that we make trial of this idea in the then present critical state of our Missionary work. The committee raised a small sum of money for printing, postage and traveling expenses, and went to work, but were of course without the large resources of the numerous paid district-secretaries of the English society; yet the idea seemed to prove fruitful; and although the plan upon which it was first put in operation by our committee has seemed too laborious to have been exactly followed, perhaps it was the very thoroughgoingness of its first appearance this side of the Atlantic which has made "Simultaneous Meetings" the most notable method of mission-culture in vogue at the present time. The special committee succeeded in securing (1887) the holding of a meeting where Foreign-Missions were discussed in the light of being commanded by our Lord; in most, probably every one, of the churches of this Synod during one single week. The original idea of a meeting for instruction and not for collections, was carefully maintained; and this fact renders it as impossible to estimate the value of the movement financially, as to estimate a single sermon after a similar fashion.

But it cannot be doubted that our movement was of service to the whole work of mission-culture in our country generally. The name of "Simultaneous Meetings" took its place on the pages of our Assembly's Minutes at once, and has not ceased to be recommended by that body ever since. Numerous Presbyteries and Synods throughout the Church have, with greatly-varying details, thus promoted the work of Foreign-Missions. The idea has spread into the Methodist, Congregationalist, and Baptist denominations, in some instances adopted apparently with as much permanence as by our own Assembly; and in a union this Fall, the second, and fuller, of its kind, among these three denominations, the American Board have seized the opportunity to urge "Simultaneous Meetings" upon all the churches within its constituency throughout the land. When we consider the peculiar elements of the enterprise in the light of this wide dissemination, our share in it seems an unusual reason for devout gratitude. The work of Foreign-Missions has obtained audience anew of a vast mulitude of ministers and laymen, without prejudice of immediate appeal for funds, presented in no light of mere expediency, but as a practical obedience to a definite command of God. The mere announcement of the undertaking in one Synod alone has been declared by our missionaries abroad to have been the sweetest news from America that they ever heard, and its assurances of prayer for the Missionaries and their people seem, in the lonely and harrassed mission on the West African coast,—a part of our own Synod,—to have been a means, under God, of awakening a whole community to a fruitful revival.

The work of the special committee in 1889 undertook to render permanent in our churches the Mission-interest awakened by the meetings of 1887, by obtaining standing-committees on Foreign-Missions in the lowest, as well as in the higher, courts of the Church. The plan of meetings was so modified as to throw as large responsibility as possible upon the ruling-elders, with the pastors. Besides the "Prelimary Suggestions," a uniform programme with two Bible-readings, was provided for the Sabbath-schools, and a "Synopsis of the Missionary Enterprise," for the use of speakers. Under the stimulus of this second campaign, and with the cordial assistance of the Presbyteries, very many Sessional Committees on Foreign-Missions have been secured. The Meetings of 1889 were very largely observed, and the reports returned have been numerous and earnest enough to encourage Synod's enlarged Committee to believe, that the Foreign-Missions spirit is growing in all our churches. That this growth is chiefly, or even largely, among our wealthier communicants, the report of our Board for the past year does not encourage us to suppose. It is doubtless, however, a steady systematic growth of the missionary spirit among devout, praying people; and will in God's good time prove, we humbly but firmly believe, to have had its appointed place in the full evangelization of the world.

WILLIAM H. BELDEN.

PART II.

The Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions respectfully report that the receipts into the Board's Treasury from the church at large, including legacies for the year ending May 1st, 1890, were $794,066, being $78,750 less than the receipts of the preceding year, and $107,115 less than those of 1888.

The number of American Missionaries now in the field is 576, being an increase of 74 in two years—the number of native ordained and licentiate ministers is 359, an increase of 37, and of native colporteurs and assistants 943, an increase of 139 in the same period, all or nearly all dependent for support upon the above diminished income. Such are the statistical figures taken from the Annual Reports of the Board for 1888 and 1890.

Secretary Ellinwood, in his address before the last General Assembly, says that "the difference between our receipts and appropriations for a full twelve months is over 100,000 dollars," and that this statement shows the actual present indebtedness of the Board rather than the figures in the Treasurer's Report of $60,275, which do not represent the real condition. This difference is explained by the shortening of the fiscal year of the missions, as appears in a note appended to his report by the Treasurer. We also find in his report that the appropriations for twelve months ending May 1st last were $907,972. A like or rather greater sum, owing to the enhanced cost of silver currency, will be needed for the current year, making necessary an increase of $200,000 in receipts, or the round million asked for by the General Assembly to meet the engagements of the Board.

"The crucial question, then, to-day in Foreign Missions is the money question," which brings us to the consideration of what our Synod has done and is to do towards its solution. Last year our contribution to the funds of the Board was $69,502, being about one-tenth of what was given by all the living members of the Presbyterian Church, viz., donations from churches, $35,435; Sabbath-schools, $4,934; Woman's Boards, $29,132. For the preceding year the amount was $66,784, viz., from churches, $35,446; Sabbath-schools, $5,511; Woman's Boards, $25,827; showing an increase last year of $2,718, all from the Woman's Boards.

Nine-tenths of our churches in some form are contributing churches, the delinquent ones being recent in organization or small in membership, and we would urge the pastors and sessions of these, however feeble they may be, to devote at least one Sabbath in the year to the consideration of the claims of the heathen world upon all the people of God. The average contribution last year was $1.20 per member; for the year preceding it was $1.18½.

The General Assembly recommended a special collection to be taken in June, or not later than October, to be equally divided

between the two Mission Boards to remove the incumbrances upon them. What may be the outcome of this effort is not yet known. So far as we are advised it falls far short of the reported balances against these two treasuries.

It is proper to note the fact that the receipts of our Foreign Board as tabulated in its report and credited to the churches do not fairly represent all the gifts of our membership to the Board's treasury. Many sums under the head of "miscellaneous" come from members whose church relation is not known, or, if known, are on request placed in that column of indefinite acknowledgments. A much larger sum goes into other channels, supporting other mission enterprises or special objects within our own missions, but outside the appropriations. Most of these outside gifts go into our Presbyterial statistics, and hence the discrepancy between donations as reported by the Board and as they are tabulated in the Minutes of the General Assembly. In the last Assembly Minutes the Foreign Mission column for New Jersey Synod shows a credit of $85,512, being $16,000 more than is acknowledged in the annual report of the Board.

During the twenty years since the re-organization of the Board (after the reunion) the Assembly Minutes have given credit to this Synod for Foreign Missions, . .	$1,145,465
While receipts for these years as acknowledged by the Board are	948,856
Making a difference of	$196,409

Another interesting fact taken from these Assembly statistics is the relative gifts of this Synod to the two Mission Boards.

Dividing these twenty years into periods of five, we find that for the

First	period	to	1875,	Home	Missions	rec'd	$235,000;	Foreign rec'd	$248,600
Second	"	"	1880,	"	"	"	236,700;	" "	228,800
Third	"	"	1885,	"	"	"	283,900;	" "	274,000
Fourth	"	"	1890,	"	"	"	419,600;	" "	394,000
							$1,175,200		$1,145,400

This growing proportionate increase of contributions for the Home Board, one of several benevolent agencies for home evangelization, may not show any ripening interest in the foreign work, but does show a lack of appreciation of its pressing needs.

These statistics are given to aid the Synod and our people in solving the problem, What does the present crisis in the finances of the Foreign Board demand from us? On the twenty-second day of August there was a deficiency in the Board's treasury of over $100,000, and on that day six missionaries, connected with this Synod, embarked for Africa, to be followed this month or next by

two others, all to reinforce our own foreign Presbytery ; besides, a much larger number have gone or are going in the course of the year as reinforcements to other fields. The entire church rejoices in such consecration of her sons and daughters, to the service of our blessed Lord, among the heathen, and yet the fact confronts us that on the first of May, 1888, the then retiring Treasurer reported the year's receipts as over $900,000, while receipts from the same sources last year were less than $820,000, and during these two years the increase of American missionaries in the field is seventy-four. We would not check the on-going of this blessed work. Nay, we would stimulate it. But what can this Synod do to bring about an equipoise in this abnormal growth?

The General Assembly recommended that the methods pursued by our Woman's Auxiliary of securing individual pledges, which is producing such gratifying results, be adopted for our church collections. In some rare instances this has been done. If adopted generally the relief sought for would, without doubt, be obtained. If the 58,000 enrolled disciples connected with this Synod should adopt the plan of contributing one cent a day for the entire Mission work at home and abroad, entrusted to our two Boards, or if each of our 302 churches would pledge its membership an equivalent amount, then would those Boards from this cent-a-day fund obtain the Synod's fair proportion of the two million dollars which, together, they are aiming to secure.

It is hardly possible for persons unfamiliar with the details of our foreign work to appreciate the money pressure under which the Board, its officers and missionaries, labor. The members of the Board, recognizing a two-fold responsibility to the church and to the commercial world—in view of the short-comings of the former —are pressing upon the brakes when they would more gladly direct the course of the engine. The correspondence of Secretaries is hampered and unsatisfactory, particularly to waiting candidates, because of these financial uncertainties, and the men and women in the front, with many opportunities for successful advance, are withheld from the attempt by this ebbing tide of the exchequer.

The first Annual Report of our Board (we have been considering its fifty-third,) uses the following language, which is not inappropriate now: "In the providence of God, and by His blessing, no branch of the Church of Christ has an organization so perfect to become a Missionary community as that of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., and if her highest judicatory in first raising the Missionary standard should, in the fear of God and in humble reliance on His blessing, inscribe upon her banner '*It is the duty of the church to send out and support every qualified Missionary that may be accepted for the foreign field*,' it would be an effort pleasing to God and which angels and good men would rejoice to contemplate." It

is not known to any member of this Committee that the standard then raised has been lowered or its banner inscription erased.

There have been temporary detentions, for financial reasons, but no candidate has been ultimately kept from the field solely for want of funds to send him to it, and no Missionaries have returned home for lack of adequate support. We should earnestly pray that this record may not be broken. And as the Spirit of God is now raising up and qualifying men and women in increasing numbers for the blessed work of evangelizing the nations, may the same Almighty Spirit indue his people at home with increasing liberality in sustaining them.

WILLIAM RANKIN.

PART III.

We submit half a dozen propositions merely stated, omitting elaboration to save time:

1. It will be conceded that the hour calls for searching inquiry into the method of the Church's support toward the treasury of Foreign Missions.

2. It is the lesson of experience that Christians give to Foreign Missions in proportion as they are informed and interested.

3. It is an historical fact that most of the great work of the century has been done through voluntary societies, in which each giver has some near or remote voice and share in the management.

4. Nevertheless it is the ideal that the Church should carry out the missionary impulse and fulfil the missionary duty through the instrumentality of its regular ecclesiastical organization.

5. It is a safe assertion that the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, more conspicuously than any other Church in the world, is (in theory at least) working on the lines of the ideal. We regard a Board as but the permanent agent of the highest court of the Church.

6. Hence this Committee has adopted two resolutions, viz.:

1. *Resolved*, As the judgment of this Committee, that the constitutional courts of the Church, to wit: Synods, Presbyteries and Sessions, are the proper channels through which the Church should receive from its Divine Head, His arousing appeal and loving command to give His Gospel to all the world.

2. *Resolved*, That each of the three hundred and two (302) Presbyterian courts in New Jersey, to wit: one (1) Synod, eight (8) Presbyteries, and two hundred and ninety-three (293) Sessions, ought to be a mobilized and expert instrument to bring missionary knowledge, the missionary duty, and the unparalleled privilege of the hour, to the heart of every child of God in our congregations.

Hence, also, it has asked as in its fourth resolution, viz.:

4. *Resolved*, That, as a step toward the end, we ask the appointment in each and every Church court, as enumerated above, of a

Committee to be carefully chosen of men intelligent upon the subject of missions, devoted to the service thereof, and able to wield influence in their respective spheres.

Suppose, then, the courts of the Church thus mobilized and active, certain queries arise, which we consider in a concise way.

Query 1st. Is it not manifest that in order to wield the vast and highly organized constituency of the Presbyterian Church in the United States and call forth its best exertions and stir its resources there must be a plan of action that displays statesmanship, there must be a centre of administration quite distinct from the function of conducting the missions, and there must be an untiring prosecution of the purpose to raise revenue?

The General Assembly has felt after something of the kind. Witness – its repeated summons to the church to contribute a million dollars in a single year—summons which, to our shame, has always fallen flat. Witness again—its recommendation in 1889 about endeavoring to secure pledges from the churches in anticipation of the year's expenditures. Witness still again – the Assembly's answer the present year to overtures for and against the appointment of a "Field Secretary." These are pointers indicating a drift of sentiment. But they do not grasp the situation. It needs a more thorough study than can be given in the tumult of an Assembly's sittings, and there is need of a more masterly plan than can be struck out by a committee that has but two weeks' lease of life.

Query 2d. To move the masses of givers and could-be givers, are we going to rely on the mere sense of loyalty?—whether you press loyalty to the Church; or loyalty to the General Assembly; or loyalty to the Board of Foreign Missions.

We say, *no.*

On the old camping grounds of Presbyterianism there are doubtless many churches and church members who will answer to a summons of the General Assembly from a loyal habit. But the Presbyterian Church, expanding in new States, in cities and suburbs, incorporates a mass of material that is not "to the manor born." It does not know the ancient war cries, and does not respond to an appeal just because it wears an *imprimatur* from a General Assembly.

Then again, the veterans who drank their enthusiasm from fountains flowing a half or a quarter of a century ago, are displaced rapidly by youth who must needs drink enthusiasm from fountains of to-day. Perhaps we do not imagine how little effect stereotyped and time-worn phrases have upon these recruits. It is, therefore, dangerous policy to trust so exigent a case as the support of Foreign Missions to the mere sense of loyalty in the present and prospective membership of our churches.

Query 3d. Is it not just as necessary under our system as in a voluntary society that there should be a constant and thorough diffusion of information and stimulating of interest?

We say yes; and again, *yes.*

It is necessary in order to keep up the hearts of the old givers. It is doubly necessary in order to open the hearts of new givers. It is indispensably and imperatively necessary in order to prepare the children to be the givers in their turn.

We dare to express our feeling, then, that the literary *nexus* between our blessed missions in far-off lands, and (to say the least) the masculine moiety of their due supporters here at home is, at the present time, inadequate.

The argument of missions is pretty well sustained. But what father, his family being over the seas, would be content with essays on domestic subjects? No. He wants news, details, photographs, exchanges of presents, souvenirs, beckonings of love and wafted kisses. He must be in affectionate touch with his absent household. Such a sweet bond there is between many a hard-wrought mission in dark lands and the hands in sunny christendom that hold it up. Look into the German Missions-Blätter and see it. Read the "Journal des Missions Évangeliques" and taste it. Take up "China's Millions," or "North Africa," or "Central Africa," periodicals that connect most precarious missions with supporters covenanted to them only in bonds of love, and you will discern a message flying to and fro that is keener than the electric flash. So are the century-old societies served by their venerable missionary magazines. If the continental Presbyterian Church in the United States of America is going to be aroused, and kept up to its privilege in Foreign Missions apart from that close, warm, constant communication with its own fields, it must be by some method not yet discovered in missionary experience. If, on the other hand, the Church is to follow the precedents which begin from the day when Paul and Barnabas gathered the Church of Antioch together, and "rehearsed all things that God had done with them, and how He had opened a door of faith unto the Gentiles," it will require a quickening of the interflow between our congregations and our missions.

Money from the hand is dispensed at the throb of the heart that loves, and the soul that *knows* its object is the only soul that *loves.*

PHILO F. LEAVENS.

In conclusion, the following is recommended for adoption:

1. The Synod of New Jersey adjures all courts within its jurisdiction, all Presbyteries and Sessions to bestir themselves; to recognize themselves as the bankers on whom the Treasurer of Foreign Missions must draw; to take the rules of duty prescribed by the Apostle

Paul to the Achaians and Macedonians and to come up thereto in their office as solicitors and almoners of the people's benefactions.

2. The Synod of New Jersey respectfully overtures the General Assembly, requesting it to appoint a Committee to make thorough and exhaustive inquiry into the Church's method of support to the treasury of Foreign Missions, and to arrange a plan: first, to place more responsibility upon Synods, Presbyteries and Sessions; second, to assure the Board of Foreign Missions of a steady and reliable support; third, to emphasize the distinction between the income from the living members of the Churches and from legacies or bequests, both as a basis of appropriation and in the administration of the funds.

3. The report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society herewith submitted to the Synod is accepted, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

4. The Synod hereby expresses its sense of the great importance of the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of this Synod, and bids the Society God-speed in its future work.

All of which is submitted on behalf of the Committee.

ABRAHAM GOSMAN,
Chairman pro tem.

XIV.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETIES IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

When the Apostle Paul, in a night vision, saw a man who prayed him, saying, "Come over into Macedonia and help us," immediately he endeavored to go, feeling sure that the *Lord* called him to preach the Gospel to them. So it is with all waiting disciples of Christ. They hear *His voice* in every call to help His needy, suffering children. What an affecting appeal is sent forth from the late Missionary Conference at Shanghai to the Christian women of the world in behalf of the women of China: "Beloved sisters, if you could see their sordid misery, their hopeless, loveless lives, their ignorance and sinfulness as we see them, mere human pity would move you to do something for their uplifting. But there is a stronger motive that should impel you to stretch out a helping hand, and *that* we plead—the constraining love of Christ. We who are in the midst of this darkness that can be felt send our voices across the ocean to you, our sisters, and beseech you by the grace of Christ our Saviour that you come at once to our help." And from all oriental lands we hear *the same cry* for more laborers, more assistance, more prayers, more loving interest in the extension of Christ's kingdom. As members of one of the greatest missionary churches of to-day let us be loyal in her service, always remembering our personal obligation to aid in redeeming her pledges to the devoted band of missionaries she has sent forth to the uttermost parts of the earth.

In the year ending last May the women of the New Jersey Synod have given as follows:

Newton Presbyterial Society,	$1,652 49
West Jersey Presbyterial Society,	1,769 05
Monmouth Presbyterial Society,	2,640 07
New Brunswick Presbyterial Society,	3,673 07
Elizabeth Presbyterial Society,	4,425 07
Jersey City Presbyterial Society,	4,582 89
Newark Presbyterial Society,	4,626 07
Morris and Orange Presbyterial Society,	6,863 03
	$30,231 74

This includes a legacy of $2,000 left by Mrs. Anna E. Miller, of Jersey City, a member of Dr. Imbrie's church and President of the Jersey City Presbyterial Society for many years. This legacy is to be used in the erection of a memorial building in a village of Syria.

Our missionaries, twenty-two in all, are Mrs. John Newton, Miss Seward, Mrs. Holcomb, Mrs. Tedford, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Hutchison, Mrs. Hepburn, Miss Youngman, Mrs. Mechlin, Mrs. and Miss

McGilvary, Miss Westervelt, Miss Franks Miss Kuhl, Miss Dascomb, Miss Charlotte Brown, Mrs. Neal, Mrs. Morse, Miss Lewis, Mrs. Kerr, Miss Butler and Miss Mary Lowrie.

Their work consists in teaching all kinds of schools, the care of the sick, house-to-house visitation, or Zenana work and the direct evangelization of women. Many of them do much literary work, translate books, write letters, reports and appeals to their sisters at home. No one who saw Mrs. Hepburn, during her short stay in this country, can fail to remember her saintly face and her sweet voice as she spoke of the progress of Christianity in Japan. In a late letter, she says: "O that some good friend would send the seven or eight thousand dollars needed to build a church in Yokohama!" She has been called the real founder of the college of which Dr. Hepburn is a professor, for a little school, begun by her many years ago, finally culminated in the Presbyterian College of Tokio, one of the first in the empire.

Miss Youngman asks our unabated interest in this mission. The Bible Institute has trained many women for visiting and teaching in outside villages; three Sabbath-schools have been carried on by the students. Kemo, No. 1, day and Sabbath-school, has one hundred and fifty-five children, from six to fifteen years of age; Bible meetings are held weekly; fifteen New Testaments have been given as prizes for learning the catechism.

Miss Westervelt, of Siam, with three of her co-laborers, took an evangelistic tour in February. She rode on an elephant, and, "to avoid the extreme heat, they had to start at midnight, traveling by moonlight over a mountain road and through deep valleys, their horses and elephants starting at the fitful shadows of the tall trees. The footmen would pound a gong to let the elephant drivers know the way." They visited many Christian homes of those who had formerly been their pupils. Mr. Dodd, one of the party, baptized a number of persons while on this tour.

Miss Cornelia McGilvary, who came to America, a little girl of twelve years, to be educated in a Christian country, returned last September, after nine years of study and teaching, to join her parents in Siam.

From the Girls' Boarding School at Canton we take a few items of the last report. It is here that our Miss Butler and Miss Lewis are engaged. "Six native teachers are employed, five of whom were educated in the school. They are all Christians. Of the 117 pupils, 22 have been received into the church. Miss Butler has held a teachers' meeting every Saturday. Great interest is shown by all in the lessons. The missionary society formed last year has 45 members and supports two Bible readers, besides aiding other work. The officers are all Chinese, and conduct everything most systematically. At the last monthly meeting they gave $8, although the members most able to give are the teachers, and they have a salary

of only $5 a month. There is also a Dorcas Society meeting once a week to sew for the poor. Miss Lewis holds a quarterly meeting with the Bible readers from the country who come to Canton to attend the communion. On Sunday evening are held services similar to those of the Christian Endeavor Societies in the home land." "Since the opening of this seminary 153 have become members of the church. Former pupils are widely scattered; one is the wife of a young graduate of the Viceroy's College at Tientsin, an earnest Christian and lately appointed physician to the emperor's father. Many of the pupils are children of Christians, who could have no other opportunity of getting an education. It is earnestly desired that funds be sent for another building." Can we hear these pleading voices without trying to answer their appeals?

Our Miss Lowrie has been devotedly at work in Peking, and during the hot summer months among the hills, visiting the women in their homes and teaching them in schools and classes.

Mrs. Tedford writes from the school at Sangli: "We are trying to teach our boys that work is honorable. Some of them are earning Bibles and hymn books for themseves. On Saturday they sew for an hour on a quilt which is to be sold in order to get something for our new church—a Bible or a reading-desk. Lately one of our pupils died of hydrophobia, as *we* think, though the people said he was possessed of a demon. In his ravings he prayed much to God in the name of Jesus." "There is great need of a missionary at Sangli who could devote herself to work among the women. The girls' school had to be discontinued last year."

In a late letter Mrs. Newton tells of a short visit just made to her father-in-law. "His is a beautiful old age. He is nearly 80, but retains his faculties almost unimpaired. I so enjoyed some of his sermons, which came from a ripe Christian experience and constant loving study of God's word." Mrs. Newton's assistant has been quite ill and unable to remain at her post. Another young lady is expected next winter from America. "In the meantime," Mrs. Newton writes, "I shall not mind being overworked if I do not break down, or have to leave important duties undone." After speaking of the effects of living in daily sight of Hindoo temples and Mohammedan mosques, she says, "Do not you see how much we need the *prayers of God's people at home*, that our hearts may be kept from the hardening influences around us?" Let us not neglect to pray for this dear friend so lately gone from our midst to take up again the work of her earlier life, and for her children who are still with us.

The past year is a memorable one in the history of *Brazil*. The empire coming to an end, and the new government giving religious liberty to all the people. Miss Ella Kuhl, writing of the girls' boarding-school at Sao Paulo, says: "It is destined to be a great blessing to this country. The seeds of gospel truth are scattered

from it far and wide. Four of the girls you have helped educate have charge of departments; eight are assistant teachers and several are teaching evangelical schools in the country. The greater part of the money needed to build the neat little parsonage lately erected in Sao Paulo was raised by the women of the church."

We can re-echo but a few of the voices that come to us to-day from our many mission fields. They tell of the schools in *Africa*, at Baraka, Angom, Glima, Talaguga and Benita; in *China*, at Ningpo, Hangchow, Shanghai, Nanking, Tien-Chow, Wei Hien, Peking, Tungchow, Chenanfou and Canton; in *Japan*, at Tokio, Shinagawa, Kanazawa and Yokohama; in *Korea*, at Seoul; in *Siam*, at Petchaburee and Bangkok; in *Asia Minor*. at Tarsus; in *Persia*, at Tabriz; in *Syria*, at Sidon, Beirut and fifteen other villages; in *India*, in eleven cities; in *South America*, in four cities; in *Mexico*, in three places, and in *California*, at San Francisco. From all these centres of Christian influence go forth earnest and touching appeals, and from vast regions of that "darkness that may be felt." Let us not turn a deaf ear to these pathetic voices that cry to us day and night from beyond the seas!—voices of the teachers and voices of the taught; voices of the aged and dying, and voices of those just beginning their sad, unhappy lives; voices of hopeless, broken-hearted widows, many of them little girls with lives doubly dark because of heathenism and widowhood; voices of sick and suffering women with no physician near to relieve their pain.

Let us, in the years to come, strive to do more than we have ever done before, for the sake of Jesus our Saviour, who hath brought us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

MARGARET M. HODGE,
Secretary.

XV.—THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY

Was held at Camden, N. J., Wednesday October 15th, 1890, at 10:30 A. M. The services were preceded by a half-hour union prayer meeting for Home and Foreign Missions, led by Mrs. John Gillespie.

At 10:30 A. M. the roll was called, giving a fair representation from each Presbytery. Mrs. Edward Hall, chairman of Reception Committee, gave the ladies a warm welcome.

The opening address of the President, Mrs. Joel Parker, was inspiring, giving as the secret of success "A concern for our work."

The minutes of the last meeting were then read and accepted.

The able report of the Corresponding Secretary was read, accepted and adopted.

Miss Nassau, of Africa (now on a furlough), spoke with deep feeling, comparing facts. During the last eight years one English society has sent out fifty missionaries; the Presbyterian Church of America only two.

The French Colonial Society have no idea of the blessing of itinerating work. The message of the King is, "Go and give."

After singing a hymn, Mrs. Turner, the new President of the Board, stated $27,590 to be the amount given by the Synod. She appealed for deeper interest in "*Woman's Work for Woman.*" Mrs. Turner charged the mothers to train the children to love that hour of prayer on Sunday at 5 P. M.

Miss Lombard gave a charming talk about the silver badge offered to each child gaining ten subscribers to "*Children's Work for Children.*"

The audience then listened to the stirring words of Mr. William Dulles, Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, first, A special thank-offering shall be made in March, in connection with the closing meeting of the missionary year.

Resolved, second, Each member shall give not less than twenty-five cents, this sum being in addition to her annual gift through the Society.

Resolved, third, The service shall be one largely of thanksgiving for the blessings of the year, prayer for the home-workers, bearing especially in mind the annual meeting.

The following named officers were elected:

President—MRS. JOEL PARKER.
First Vice-President—MRS. J. D. BEDLE.
Second " " MRS. W. E. MORRISON.
Third " " MRS. J. GILLESPIE.

Fourth Vice-President—MRS. S. E. WARE.
Fifth " " MRS. A. H. YOUNG.
Sixth " " MRS. ROBERT AIKMAN.
Seventh " " MRS. FRANK CHANDLER.
Eighth " " MRS. JOHN DIXON.
Corresponding Secretary—MRS. A. A. HODGE.
Recording Secretary—MRS. PAUL BABCOCK.

After taking up a collection, Mr. Loucks, pastor of the church, gave a graceful invitation to all present to enjoy a luncheon, to be served in the church parlors.

The meeting then adjourned.

ELLEN M. COLTON,
Recording Secretary pro tem.

Elizabeth, N. J., October 15th, 1890.

XVI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

It is one of the cheering signs of the times that the young men of the church are coming forward in larger numbers than ever before and are offering themselves for service to the church and to its Lord. Isaiah's vision of the forces of the Gentiles coming to the help of the Lord against the mighty is being realized. The young Davids are leaving farms and stores and offices and homes, and are preparing to go out to the battlefield to cope with the giants of worldliness, idolatry and sin. It is a glorious sight that is now spread before the eyes of the church, the laying of the strength and enthusiasm and power of young manhood on the altar of Christ; and this notwithstanding the toil and inadequate compensation so often in work on the home field, notwithstanding the sacrifice of country and home and loved ones and risk of life in going to the foreign field.

Eight hundred and thirty-nine candidates were aided by the Board of Education the last year, sixty-seven more than the year before. Forty-seven additional cases were declined from apprehensions of incurring too heavy a debt at the end of the year. Notwithstanding this care, the Board found itself in debt at the end of the year to the amount of $8,700, afterwards, however, reduced to $5,700 by the liberal contribution of a friend to this cause. It is a rather sad fact that when the Lord has heard the prayer of the church to provide more laborers, the means to prepare them for their work are not in hand. We need to pray that a spirit of liberality be given to all the members of the church, so that not one man who offers himself to the work of the Lord shall be made to wait, or perhaps give up altogether the work he so much desires to engage in.

While we are sorry to say that 3,511 churches under the jurisdiction of our General Assembly made no contribution to the Board of Education, yet we are glad to note that only about one-sixth of the churches of this Synod failed in their contributions. It is greatly to be desired that this important arm of the church be made strong. The church's increase and life depend upon the increase of its ministry. Life and growth are almost synonymous terms. Where there is no growth, life loses its vigor and decay sets in. Then let it not be said that there is a want of readiness to respond to the earnest desires of young men who are ready to prepare for the work of the ministry, ready to increase the force working to bring the world to Christ.

Your Committee would recommend:

First. That the churches that have not taken up a collection for the Board of Education be asked to take this cause into earnest and prayerful consideration.

Second. That ministers and elders continue to urge the claim of Jesus Christ upon the young men for service in the ministry of his church.

FREDERIC R. BRACE, *Chairman.*

XVII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK.

The Committee on Publication and Sabbath-School Work report that the Board is continuing its very important work with a zeal and success deserving the highest commendation of the Synod.

The new publications of the year have included a good variety of subjects for old and young. Their new issues and re-issues of those bearing especially on the doctrines and polity of the Presbyterian Church, and their special effort to call attention of pastors and congregations to these, have well met the increasing interest of the church, which has been awakened by the revision discussions.

A large amount of Sabbath-school issues, including their Bible helps and papers, are certainly among the very best published in this or any land. Your Committee cannot but think that the more our ministers, churches and Sabbath-schools patronize their own Board, in preference to private publishers, or those of other denominations, the more helpful and healthful will be their spiritual, doctrinal and Presbyterian training.

The missionary department of the Board has also kept pace with the other and employed a large number of missionaries, many of them the students in our Theological Seminaries during their vacations. These have organized 1,139 schools during the year, enrolling therein more than 40,000 scholars, teachers and officers. This work is a grand preparation for the Home Missionary, and many of these schools will undoubtedly develop into churches.

The observance of Children's Day has been more general than ever, and the good results are in many ways manifest—one of these is the receipt of $35,000 from the Sabbath-schools to the missionary work of the Board, an increase of $7,000 over the amount received from the same source last year.

It has been deemed wise to shorten the course of study in the Bible Correspondence School from seven to three years, and this, with other changes suggested by experience, makes this a most important and highly commendable method of Bible study.

The Committee has received reports from the Presbyteries, including a full and most interesting one from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange. We do not feel it necessary to deal largely in statistics, but one is specially encouraging: Two thousand and ninety-one persons have, by profession of their faith, united with the churches from the Sabbath-schools of the Synod, an increase of 442 over last year. This number is nearly two-thirds of all the additions to our churches on profession (2,091 out of 3,267).

Your Committee can only commend the Board, in all its departments, to the patronage, the confidence and the liberality of the Synod.

The Committee offer for adoption the following:

Resolved, That our churches give due attention to earnest and persevering effort for Sabbath-school extension, looking to bringing into the Sabbath-school the entire membership of the church, the young men and young women who were formerly members, and all the children and young people in the community.

Resolved, That this Synod recommend that, in all our Sabbath-schools, there be some efficient missionary organization for instruction in missionary interests and for training in systematic giving to the Lord.

Resolved, That our churches and Sabbath-schools give special attention to the selection of qualified and consecrated teachers, and to providing some systematic plan for their training and development.

BENJ. S. EVERITT,
Chairman.

XVIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ERECTION.

Among all the instrumentalities by which our church is striving to establish the kingdom of Christ upon a broad and substantial basis in our land, no one is more important and better deserving of the support of our whole people than that of Church Erection.

In vain do our faithful missionaries go forward to organize churches, unless some suitable home can *be provided for them*. The reports of the work done *are full of encouragement*. The amount contributed during the past year for Church Erection has exceeded that of the preceding year by the sum of $5,060.48. The total contribution from church collections was $62,975.21, and from all other sources sufficient to raise the sum total to ($126,113.42) one hundred and twenty-six thousand one hundred and thirteen dollars and forty-two cents. Appropriations were made during the year to 174 churches, distributed through 25 Synods. Adding to this the gifts for special churches, the whole number aided by the Board was 207.

In the Presbytery of New Brunswick, the First Church, of Trenton, has rebuilt its chapel at Millham, Trenton, at an expense of over $8,000, which sum has been promptly paid by that generous member of that church, the Hon. Caleb S. Green. They have gathered a membership of 34, and a Sabbath-school of over 400 members. They have secured the services of Rev. Edward Scofield to aid them in their new and successful work.

One of the most interesting and promising features of this work is that of the Manse Fund, by the creation of which money is to be loaned for the purpose of building manses, to be returned without interest, and at the end of three years. The number of loans made for manses during the past year was 26. The amount thus loaned during the past year was ten thousand and fifty dollars.

The total amount of the Manse Fund is now about thirty-three thousand dollars, but, as only one-third of this sum is available in any one year, it is exceedingly desirable that this fund should be at once increased to the amount originally contemplated—namely, fifty thousand dollars.

About 60 of the churches of the Synod of New Jersey failed this year to make any contribution to the Church Erection Fund, and only 5 of our churches made any contribution whatever to the fund for the building of manses. It is earnestly recommended that during the year to come every one of our churches fill up their Church Erection column with a suitable gift, and that all our stronger churches (at least) shall do what they can to raise the remainder of the Manse Fund.

JOHN A. LIGGETT,
Chairman of Committee.

XIX.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Your Committee on Ministerial Relief beg leave to report as follows:

The General Assembly, at its last meeting, adopted the following resolution: "The General Assembly recommends to the churches under its care to contribute to this Board (the Board of Ministerial Relief) during the coming (now current) year not less than $150,000, which (they say), in our judgment, is the lowest amount needed for the adequate prosecution of the work of the Board."

This is their appropriate answer to a preceding resolution, adopted by the same body and at the same meeting, that "the General Assembly acknowledges, on behalf of the whole church which it represents, the solemn obligation to provide for our infirm and aged ministers, not as a matter of charity, but as a debt due alike to them and to Christ." And yet it is a debt into the consciousness of which we seem slow to enter, and hence we are slow to realize its practical claims upon us, and do not come up to the full measure of our obligation in regard to it. Here and there generous contributions on this behalf are made by churches and by individuals which merit special commendation, and if their exemplary generosity were generally imitated by churches and individuals, according to the measure of their financial ability respectively, the aggregate sum called for by the General Assembly for the year, to meet the wants of this Board, would be more than amply provided.

The last Annual Report of this Board informs us that, during the year 1889-'90, 642 families were on the roll of this Board as its beneficiaries – an increase of 27 over those of the preceding year. And the number cared for in our Ministers' Home, at Perth Amboy, was 18. And to furnish the necessary means to supply the wants of these worthy beneficiaries, on the most economical scale, the amount contributed from all the churches recognizing our General Assembly was only $105,369 for our last ecclesiastical year, whereas the amount contributed for the year immediately preceding was in excess of this more than $3,000. This apparent depreciation of this cause on the part of the church as a whole, we are constrained to believe is only *apparent, and not real.* We cannot accept the conclusion that the heart of the church is growing cold towards a cause which, from its character, appeals so tenderly to their humane and Christian sympathies and benevolent affections. But if this *apparent* depreciation should manifest itself in the current, as in the last year, and especially if the depreciation should fall to a still lower level, the result would not only be exceedingly mortifying, but well-nigh disastrous to the cause thus dishonored. But we hope for better things, though we thus speak.

It is not wise to compare ourselves among ourselves and we will avoid it, but there is one noticeable instance to which we cannot resist calling attention ; that in which a single church in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange has given, on behalf of this object, more than one-half of the whole amount given by the entire Synod during the year. If the standard of liberality here exhibited should become, in any good measure, the rule governing the churches in general, according to their several ability, the Board of Ministerial Relief would have no occasion to complain of insufficiency of means for its noble benefactions.

We propose the adoption, by the Synod, of the following resolution :

Resolved, That a covenant-keeping God expects His people to keep covenant with Him, and for this end to "bring all the tithes into the storehouse and prove Him therewith;" as the proper care and comfort of His veteran and infirm servants is no exception to this, and as there is such a present urgent need for redoubled contributions, through fear of suffering on the part of worthy men and women, and from the increase of needy applicants to the Relief Fund, and above all as a simple debt we owe to them and to the Master, we urge our churches to a larger liberality in order to the redemption of the earnest recommendation of the General Assembly.

WM. T. FINDLEY, *Chairman.*
JOS. M. McNULTY.

XX.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

Your Committee on Missions for Freedmen would report as follows:

Presbytery.	Contributions.	Increase or Decrease.		Non-Contributing Churches.
Corisco,	$15 00			0
Elizabeth,	1,115 00	Dec.	$162 00	4
Jersey City,	924 00	Inc.	65 00	8
Monmouth,	663 00	Inc.	163 00	7
Morris and Orange,	2,912 00	Inc.	482 00	5
Newark,	1,056 00	Dec.	125 00	7
New Brunswick,	1,980 00	Dec.	685 00	0
Newton,	811 00	Inc.	21 00	5
West Jersey,	582 00	Dec.	93 00	19
	$10,058 00	Net Dec.	$335 00	55

The column of number of "non-contributing churches" does not include the churches (9) which gave nothing to any of the Boards of the church.

Of the total amount of contributions ($10,058) more than one-third ($3,662) passed through other channels than the "Board of Missions for Freedmen."

The grand total given in the "Summary" of the Assembly's Minutes for this cause is $138,388. This includes quite a large percentage which did not pass through the treasury of the Board, as in the case of our own Synod. Notwithstanding this fact, the Treasurer of the Board reports having received from all sources—including legacies, &c.—a total of $176,325. Probably not less than $200,000 was given last year to the work among the Freedmen. Large as this sum may seem, it is yet by no means commensurate with the opportunities and needs of the cause.

Let one or two facts be cited in evidence taken from a leaflet published by the Board: (1.) There are in the United States about 2,000,000 Negro children of school age. For more than half of these there are no schools. Christian men and women are ready to go as missionary teachers if the Board had the money to send them. (2.) Our church last year had in the Western and Southwestern States and Territories 1,279 missionaries, besides 368 missionary teachers and pastors in self-sustaining churches, while to the 8,000,000 Negroes in the South she sent only 316 missionaries, all told, ministers and teachers, male and female, white and black. (3.) Take another fact. There are in the U. S. about 400,000 Indians, Mexicans and Mormons. For these 400,000 the Christian women of

the Presbyterian Church last year provided 330 teachers at a cost of nearly $300,000, while for the 8,000,000 of Negroes the Freedmen's Board could provide only 171 teachers.

There are in either Georgia, Louisiana, Alabama, or Mississippi, more Negroes than the *aggregate* of Indians, Mexicans and Mormons, and yet we have 15 teachers in Georgia, only one in Louisiana, and not one in Alabama or Mississippi.

Surely, the church is not fully awake to her opportunity. The welfare of our country is more directly and vitally involved in the uplifting and evangelization of these 8,000,000 of Negroes, than in that of the less than half million of our "exceptional population." There are 1 5c0,000 of voters among the Freedmen of the South.

These comparisons are not intended to disparage the work among the 400,000, not at all, far more could be and must be done among them ; but to set before us the still greater need and grander opportunity of work among the 8,000,000.

The General Assembly urges the claims of this work upon the churches, upon the Women's Societies, and upon the Sabbath-schools. And the Master says, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

ALBERT ERDMAN.

XXI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON THE BOARD OF AID FOR COLLEGES AND ACADEMIES.

The Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies sprang out of the necessities of the "Great West," as we are wont to term the more recently settled portion of our country. Not merely the State, but the Church also, is under obligation to supply the intellectual wants of the people who are crowding into our new States and Territories. The State cannot afford to have a great mass of ignorance in the body politic, and the Church must make provision for an education from which morality and religion are not excluded. It is unnecessary to more than allude to the great questions that are now agitating several of the States in the great valley of the Mississippi, where large bodies of immigrants are gathered, to prove the great importance of this subject.

The Church contributes in only a moderate degree to this cause, but the Board—by its wise course and judicious management—has secured large results. The work is difficult, and not without its drawbacks, but the incitement to local effort by the contributions of the Board and the immediate results, with the favorable prospect for the future in the case of nearly all the institutions assisted, are sources of the greatest satisfaction and encouragement. The Synod is, doubtless, familiar with the subject, and it is unnecessary for the Committee to enlarge upon the importance of the objects contemplated by this Board, or to exhort to the performance of duty in connection with the matter. The Committee, however, calls attention to what the Board styles its "New Departure." Henceforth it will incur no debt, either for property or current expenses, so that there will be no danger of losing the property, and all agreements made by other parties with the Board must be fully met as a prerequisite for continued assistance to any academy or college. Experience has led the Board to adopt this policy, and churches and individuals are thus encouraged to contribute more liberally, because assured of the permanent success of the institutions which are cordially supported by the churches and communities among which they are founded and by which they are largely supported.

Some notion of what the Board has accomplished may be gathered from the simple statement, that in the first year of its existence it distributed about $11,000 and aided nine institutions; in the past year it has disbursed about $42,000 to thirty-five institutions. Thus its work has nearly quadrupled in seven years, and the number of contributing churches has increased in a slightly larger proportion.

The Board, however, distributes not merely the contributions of the churches, but also those of individuals, which have been given

more particularly to secure property. In addition, large direct donations have been given to many institutions, so that the Board is benefiting them indirectly, even more than it does by the direct contributions from the churches. Individuals gave just about as much for property as the churches, Sabbath-schools, &c., gave to the General Fund—about $34,000. The entire amount, including legacies received by the Board in the past year, was about $85,000, of which a little more than $32,000 was contributed by churches and Sabbath-schools. The Synod of New Jersey contributed one-tenth of this amount, which was given by 177 of its 302 churches, thus showing that a large majority of its churches are interested in this important work. More than $1,100 was also contributed by individuals within the bounds of this Synod.

Looking now at a much more important aspect of this subject, your Committee simply calls attention to the number and character of the students in these institutions aided by the Board. In the 14 colleges there are 1,031 students, of whom 608 are members of the church, 65 being candidates for the ministry; and in the 21 academies there are 2,243 students, of whom 795 are members of the church, 35 being candidates for the ministry; so that here are 3,274 students under direct Christian teaching, of whom 1,403 are professing Christians, many of them intending to become the teachers of others, and 100 of them purpose becoming ministers of the gospel.

Your Committee need not enlarge upon the facts or urge the claims of this most important cause upon the members of the Synod. The Committee suggests the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Synod earnestly recommends that all pastors and churches take up collections for the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee.

HENRY C. CAMERON,
Chairman.

XXII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The study of the statistics of Systematic Beneficence within our bounds during the past year gives occasion for gratitude, and also some serious reflection. Following the custom of the past, your Committee present for the consideration of Synod the following tables, with a few reflections drawn therefrom:

TABLE A

Shows the amount given to each object according to the Assembly's Minutes.

	1889.	1890.	Increase.	Decrease.
Home Missions,	$94,581	$96,045	$1,464	
Foreign Missions,	76,051	85,512	9,461	
Education,	13,974	14,426	452	
Sabbath-school Work,	10,593	11,070	477	
Church Erection,	19,728	39,651	19,923	
Ministerial Relief,	21,440	25,869	4,429	
Freedmen,	10,382	10,057	. . .	$325
Sustentation, S. H. M.,	10,117	11,725	1,608	
Aid for Colleges,	5,806	5,855	49	
	$262,672	$300,210	$37,863	$325
Net increase,	. . .	. . .	$37,538	. .
Congregational,	$814,730	$899,713	84,983	. .
Miscellaneous,	50,944	60,730	9,786	. .
Total increase,			$132,307	

The large increase in Beneficence of $37,863 is due to the fact that the Presbytery of Newark gave last year to Church Erection the exceptionally great sum of $29,991, as against 11,769 in 1889, an advance of $18,222. Deducting this from the entire increase in Beneficence, we have a gain for all the other objects together of $19,316.

When we recall the fact that the gain in our church membership has been 1,603, or 2.8 per cent., while the total increase in gifts to the objects of our church has been $37,538, or over 14 per cent., we have good reason to rejoice.

Aside from Church Erection, the largest gain has been in gifts for Foreign Missions, an increase of $9,461, and next to this is Ministerial Relief, which gains $4,429. The cause of the Freedmen is the only one showing a decrease, and that only to amount of $325. Congregational expenses have increased nearly $85,000, and Miscellaneous almost $10,000. The increase in Congregational expenses

appears to have been mainly on account of the erection and enlargement of church edifices.

TABLE B

Shows the measure of support given by Synod to the Boards of our Church.

	1889.	1890.	Increase.	Decrease.	Expended in Synod. 1889.	1890.
Home Missions, . . .	$38,359	$41,740	$3,381	. .	. . .	. . .
Foreign Missions, . .	66,811	69,501	2,690	. .	. . .	. . .
Education, ...	6,230	5,468	. .	$762	$4,730	$5,348
Sabbath-School Work,	7,076	7,534	458	. .	100	. . .
Church Erection, . .	5,547	6,157	610	. .	1,300	756
Ministerial Relief, . .	9,246	9,198	. .	48	4,600	4,925
Freedmen, ...	6,964	6,401	. .	563	. . .	. . .
Sustentation, ...	233	97	. .	136	. . .	. . .
Aid for Colleges, . .	3,185	3,221	36	. .	. . .	. . .
	$143,807	$149,317	$7,175	$1,509	. . .	. . .
Synodical Home Miss.,	12,412	13,546	. .	. .	$12,118	$12,969
	$156,219	$162,863	. .	. .	$22,848	$23,998

Net Increase to Boards, ...	$5,666
Net increase to Synodical Home Missions, ...	1,134
Increase to all Presbyterian Agencies, ...	$6,800

The most significant fact in this exhibit is the marked disproportion between the increase in the gifts for the year, $37,538, and the gain in support of the Boards of the church, which is but $5,204. Taken in connection with the heavy debts resting on some of our Boards and their inability to meet the urgent claims upon them, it seems that this disproportion should lead to the careful inquiry whether as a Synod we are doing our duty to the Boards of the church. The fact that the contributions to the Board of Home Missions have increased $3,381 while Synod has given to Synodical Home Missions $13,546 and has drawn nothing from the Board, is a matter of just and large satisfaction. Your Committee think it can hardly be gratifying to our churches to know that the amount expended for education for the ministry within our bounds is only $120 less than the whole sum given for that cause in our Synod. Your Committee would also call attention to the fact that whereas we have given $48 less than last year to Ministerial Relief, we have expended within our bounds $325 more and a total of nearly 54 per cent. of the whole. While we have done no more than our duty to our own ministry, the question is a fair one, have we done our duty towards the ministry of the church?

The decrease of $762 for Education and $563 for the cause of the Freedmen are facts also to be regretted.

TABLE C

Shows the amount given by each Presbytery to the nine objects of our church, including Sustentation.

	1889.	1890.	Increase.	Decrease.
Morris and Orange,	$65,457	$77,029	$11,572	. .
Newark,	53,915	71,435	17,520	. .
New Brunswick,	43,801	43,899	98	. .
Elizabeth,	36,370	36,648	278	. .
Jersey City,	18,894	27,061	8,167	. .
Monmouth,	14,702	16,134	. . .	$896
West Jersey,	15,946	15,050	1,432	. .
Newton,	13,437	12,270	. . .	1,167
Corisco,	150	144	. . .	6
	$262,672	$299,670	$39,067	$2,069

Net increase to the nine objects, $36,998.

The same table also shows the amount given by each Presbytery through the Boards of our Church, as follows:

	1889.	1890.	Increase.	Decrease.
Morris and Orange,	$36,524	$36,422	. . .	$102
Newark,	22,253	22,485	$232	. . .
New Brunswick,	22,945	20,751	. . .	2,194
Elizabeth,	20,206	24,090	3,884	. . .
Jersey City,	11,708	13,616	1,908	. . .
Monmouth,	10,115	10,982	867	. . .
West Jersey,	10,418	10,419	1	. . .
Newton,	9,229	9,240	11	. . .
Corisco,	174	240	66	. . .
	$143,572	$148,745	$6,969	$2,296

Net increase to Boards, $4,673.

In amounts contributed, the Presbyteries stand in the same order as last year, except that as then Elizabeth gave place to New Brunswick, this year New Brunswick has yielded the position back to Elizabeth. While Morris and Orange still holds the first place, she is but a little in advance of Newark, which has made the admirable gain this year of $17,520, against that of $11,572 on the part of Morris and Orange Let our strong and willing sister among the hills look well to her laurels.

The gifts to the nine objects, through the Presbyteries, exceed those of last year by $36,998. Whereas there was a falling off last year on the part of Elizabeth, Jersey City, West Jersey, Monmouth, Newton and Corisco, there has been an advance this year by all the Presbyteries except Monmouth, Newton and Corisco.

The amount given through the Boards is $4,673 greater than last year, and is forty-nine and one-half per cent. of the whole as against fifty-five per cent. last year.

TABLE D

Shows the blanks or failures to contribute to each of the nine objects occurring in each Presbytery.

	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sabbath-school Work.	Church Erection	Ministerial Relief.	Freemen.	Sustentation.	Aid for Colleges.	Totals. 1889	Totals. 1890	Increase.	Decrease
Corisco,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elizabeth,	1	1	6	3	3	3	5	4	7	24	31	7	.
Jersey City,	6	6	9	10	10	7	11	9	11	66	79	13	.
Monmouth,	5	5	8	12	10	9	10	9	12	88	80	.	8
Morris and Orange,	0	0	5	6	6	4	6	0	7	42	34	.	8
Newark,	1	2	5	4	3	6	7	4	10	32	43	11	.
New Brunswick,	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	6	6	.
Newton,	4	5	7	7	9	7	8	8	10	75	65	.	10
West Jersey,	11	10	21	20	18	18	19	8	33	161	158	.	3
Totals,	20	20	62	52	60	55	66	43	91	488	496	37	29

Net increase, 8.

The increase of eight blanks is certainly matter of deep regret.

TABLE E

Shows the total amounts given to the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions, of Sabbath-school Work and Freedmen, and the portion thereof contributed by Sabbath-schools and Ladies' Societies.

		Sabbath-schools.	Ladies' Societies.	
Home Missions,	$41,740	$4,613 35	$14,887 50	$19,501
Foreign Missions,	69,501	4,933 10	29,131 54	34,065
Sabbath-school Work,	7,534	2,482 22	. . . .	2,482
Freedmen,	6,401	438 00	392 00	830
	$125,176	$12,466 67	$44,411 04	$56,878

Or 45½ per cent. of the whole as against 40 per cent. last year. Of the whole amount given to Home Missions, 46 7 per cent. were given by Sabbath-schools and Ladies' Societies, and 49 per cent. of the entire sum contributed to Foreign Missions.

Facts like these seem to demand explanation, and inasmuch as they cannot be accounted for by the superior financial ability of the ladies, the conclusion appears to be forced upon us that these results are due to the more systematic methods pursued by them and their practice of utilizing the power of the littles.

In amount of contributions, the Synod stands as it did last year—third. New York comes first, with $796,204. Pennsylvania second,

with $621,346. New Jersey third, with $300,210. The Synod of the Pacific, with its remarkably large gift to education of $259,635, stands fourth, with $297,944.

In average per member, New Jersey is, as she has been for two years, fifth. Pacific first, $18.50, due to the exceptional gift above mentioned. Minnesota second, $8.50. Columbia third, $7.29. Illinois fourth, $5.30. And New Jersey fifth, $5.18½. With but a slightly greater effort New Jersey might have been fourth, and but for the special reason above given, third.

Surveying the entire field, your Committee, while noting with pleasure and gratitude the considerable advance in the total of our contributions, feel bound to say that, in their judgment, that advance, and especially the so greatly disproportionate one in the gifts to our Boards, does not measure the responsibility of this great Synod to the cause of its crucified and risen Lord. And your Committee does not believe this responsibility can be met without a deeper spirit of consecration on our part, and also a material change in our methods of Systematic Beneficence. On this point we would reiterate the final words of the report of last year: "The beneficence of our Synod may be called in a good degree systematic, in so far as this, viz., that the claims of Beneficence, and especially of the nine objects represented by the agencies of the church, are regularly and faithfully presented to the churches. *But* they also believe that Systematic Beneficence has a far broader meaning and a much higher aim than this. They believe this meaning is and this aim should be, on the part of the whole church and of each particular church, to present the claims of the Master on our property in some systematic way, personally, to each and every member of our churches and congregations, and to persuade every one with a willing mind to give of his substance unto the Lord, according to that he hath and not according to that he hath not. The results of such giving, in the churches of our Synod where the experiment has been fairly made, have been most encouraging, and your Committee are convinced that only in this way can we expect the treasury of the Lord's House to be filled; and they recommend that pastors and sessions be urgently advised to adopt some such plan of Systematic Beneficence in their several churches."

THEO. F. WHITE,
Chairman.

XXIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance beg leave to state that so little has come into their hands that it is exceedingly difficult to frame a suitable or acceptable report. They have statements but from two Presbyteries, and hence they are compelled to make brick with a very insufficient quantity of straw. They have great reason, however, to fear that there is much apathy and indifference in many localities on this subject, and that the minds of not a few brethren need to be stirred up by way of remembrance. It should be remembered that every year there come to our shores hundreds of thousands of foreigners, bringing with them the drinking customs of their native land; that the poorer classes in our large cities are victims of the drink-habit; that many of the rich are simply aristocratic and fashionable tipplers, and that the young from every station in life are constantly tempted by our gilded saloons, and constantly falling. How can this mass be reached and saved, unless earnest effort be put forth? And how can a wholesome public sentiment be created, if neither voice or hand is raised to create that sentiment? Never in the history of our country has the liquor traffic been so defiant, so aggressive, so insolent as to-day. In many places it controls our primaries, nominates and elects our legislators, selects our Governors, and chooses men to represent us in the national Congress. During the last winter at Trenton it placed upon the statute books a law allowing the transfer of licenses from one part of the town, township, city or borough to another by applying to the Court of Common Pleas, so that it is now possible for a saloon that was originally located in some comparatively unobjectionable spot, to place itself beside a church or school-house, or in the midst of our most quiet and desirable homes. But even worse than this is the astonishing increase in the consumption of liquor, as reported in the official organ of the brewers. In 1880, New Jersey consumed 612,000 barrels of beer, while last year she disposed of 1,498,000 barrels—an increase of about 144 per cent. The consumption in the whole nation for 1880 was 12,800,000 barrels; and for 1890, 26,800,000—a gain of 110 per cent., so that New Jersey is far outstripping the country at large. Iowa has fallen off over 60 per cent., and Kansas over 90 per cent., while "High-license" Nebraska has increased 217 per cent, and low-license New Jersey increased 144 per cent. in ten years. It still further appears that 4,629,500 more gallons of beer passed down the parched throats of the people the past year than the year before. These figures are, however, somewhat affected by the inflow of a temporary population. In view of these and other facts, it seems to your Committee that our testimony against this great enemy of the State and the Church should be

clear and *decided*. It is pleasant to note that nearly every religious body in the land has distinctly condemned this giant evil, and that each year the language has become more emphatic.

The United Presbyterian Church thus speaks: "All measures of license are wrong in principle and a failure in practice." The Cumberland Presbyterian Church says: "The greatest and most fatal mistake ever make in our broad country against God, and home, and native land, was the permitting by law the manufacturing for sale, selling, or keeping for sale as a beverage, any intoxicating liquors." The House of Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church thus declares its views concerning the liquor traffic: "It can never be legalized without sin; license, high or low, is vicious in principle and powerless as a remedy." The Reformed Presbyterian Church, Reformed Episcopal, the Quakers, Baptist and Congregational Associations, and others have taken ground quite as high, while our own Assembly has given utterance to no uncertain sound. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

(1.) "While, as a church, we neither advocate nor antagonize any political party, we earnestly commend to our ministers and people, as Christian citizens, such vigorous, persevering efforts as may seem wisest to them, towards the enactment in our State of statutes which shall hopefully secure entire prohibition of a traffic largely responsible for the bulk of the drunkenness, crime, pauperism and social miseries which afflict our land."

(2.) That ministers be requested to remember the Assembly's injunction as found on page 83 of the Minutes, which reads as follows: "We enjoin our ministers and people to abate nothing in their zeal and effort, in or out of the churches, to check the drinking habits of society, and by effort, voice and vote, to oppose the traffic in intoxicants as a beverage."

(3.) That the following persons be elected as members of the Church Commission on Temperance, viz.: Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., Rev. B. S. Everitt, Rev. A. Erdman, D.D., Rev. John Woodbridge, D.D., Elders J. Y. Foster, J. R. Bennett and H. E. Simmons.

W. E. HONEYMAN,
J. G. SYMMES,
E. A. BULKLEY,
WM. BOYD,
J. DE HART BRUEN.

XXIV.—REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK.

The Stated Clerk respectfully reports to the Synod of New Jersey that he has obeyed the directions of the Synod given at its last meeting, in forwarding to the proper persons copies of such acts and resolutions as were ordered by the Synod to be so transmitted.

Having been directed by the Synod to place suitable shelving in the fire-proof vault in Princeton, for the deposit of historical material, the Clerk received, through the Rev. Allen H. Brown, an offer of the gift of a case of shelves, drawers and alcoves from Dr. J. Barron Potter, of Bridgeton, N. J. The offer was accepted and the shelves, after necessary repairs, refitting with glass doors, lock and key, &c., were placed in the vault, where they are now ready for the reception of historical material.

The Clerk has also made diligent search during the year for a file of the Minutes of the New School General Assembly, being greatly aided by Elder Louis Chapin, of Rochester, N. Y., and other friends. The search has been successful, and a complete file, substantially bound, is now deposited, with the completed file of the Minutes of the General Assembly and the printed Minutes of Synod, in the vault at Princeton. There has also been received from the Librarian of Union Theological Seminary an incomplete file of the printed Minutes of the Synod of New York and New Jersey, New School. Certain duplicates obtained in the course of this correspondence have been transferred to the Library of Union Theological Seminary.

The Clerk would also report that at the suggestion and by the assistance of the Rev. George Buckle, a special train on one of the railroads to Atlantic City was secured, for the convenience of many of the members of Synod, involving a small expense for printing and postage.

The Clerk would respectfully ask that his acts and expenditures in the matters herein reported, may be approved.

He would also recommend the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod be returned to Dr. J. Barron Potter, of Bridgeton, N. J., for the gift of book-shelves for the Synod's vault in Princeton; and to Elder Louis Chapin, of Rochester, New York; the Directors and Librarian of the Theological Seminary at Auburn, New York; the Directors and Librarian of Union Theological Seminary, New York City; Mrs. Atterbury and Miss Weed, of Detroit, Mich., and the Rev. Benjamin S. Everitt, for valuable assistance in completing the historical records belonging to the Synod.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WALTER A. BROOKS,
Stated Clerk.

XXV.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

WALTER A. BROOKS, *Treasurer, in account with the Synod of New Jersey.*

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1890.			
Oct. 13th.	To balance from previous account, . . .	$198 96	
	" apportionments from eight Presbyteries, ...	470 00	
	" receipts from advertising, ...	25 00	
	" interest, ...	8 05	
	" sale of Minutes, ...	1 40	
			$703 41

CR.

Oct. 13th.	By janitor's bill, ...	$4 00	
	" printing Minutes, docket, etc., . . .	227 70	
	" salary of Stated Clerk, ...	150 00	
	" salary of Enrollment Clerk, ...	50 00	
	" salary of Temporary Clerk, ...	15 00	
	" postage, express, etc., ...	45 93	
	" bookshelves in Princeton, ...	21 54	
	" binding Minutes, Synod and G. A.,	8 00	
	" railroad arrangements, 1889, ...	7 50	
	" Minutes General Assembly, O. and N. S., ...	3 85	
	" envelopes for Minutes, and stamp, .	2 00	
	" bill of Stated Clerk for sundries, . .	3 39	
	Balance, October 13th, 1890, . .	164 50	
			$703 41

WALTER A. BROOKS,
Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

F. W. BALDWIN,
JOHN D. RUE,
Finance Committee.

Dated October 21st, 1890.

XXVI.—STATISTICAL REPORTS.

I. THE PRESBYTERY OF CORISCO consists of eight ministers, four of whom are native African negroes; four licentiates, and has under its care eight candidates for the ministry, and nine churches in its bounds, which have an aggregate membership of eleven hundred.

Rev. Cornelius DeHeer died October 20th, 1889.

The license of Mr. Joseph H. Reading was recalled January 14th, 1890.

R. H. NASSAU,
Stated Clerk.

II. THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH consists of forty-three ministers, thirty-one churches, and two licentiates, and has under its care five candidates for the ministry, and four other candidates who are under the care of some of its sessions.

Ministers received—

December 30th, 1889, Rev. George H. Payson, from the Presbytery of Nassau.

April 14, 1890, Rev. Henry V. Voorhees, from the Presbytery of Newcastle.

April 15, 1890, Rev. William C. Stinson, from the Presbytery of Monmouth.

April 15, 1890, Rev. Thomas H. Lee, from the Presbytery of Transylvania.

June 10, 1890, Rev. John A. Wells, from the Eastern Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Michigan.

October 7, 1890, Rev. Ezra F. Mundy, from the Presbytery of Gunnison.

Ministers dismissed—

December 30, 1889, Rev. Daniel W. Skellenger, to the Presbytery of Albany.

April 15, 1890, Rev. George Pflug, to the Presbytery of Cincinnati.

April 16, 1890, Rev. Isaac H. Condit, to the Presbytery of Newton.

October 7, 1890, Rev. Hugh Smythe, to Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

October 7, 1890, Rev. Ivan D. Mishoff, to Presbytery of Milwaukee.

Minister's name erased—

April 16, 1890, Adrian Gory, having joined the Reformed Church of France.

Ordinations—

November 26, 1889, Licentiate, Hermann A. Axmann.

October 8, 1890, Licentiate, Geo. Kennedy Newell, *sine titulo.*

Installations –

November 26, 1889, Rev. Hermann A. Axmann, over the First German Church of Elizabeth.

January 16, 1890, Rev. George H. Payson, over the First Church of Rahway.

January —, 1890, Rev. James M. Nourse, over the Madison Avenue Church of Elizabeth.

April 18, 1890, Rev. William C. Stinson, over the Church of Dunellen.

June 1, 1890, Rev. James R. Gibson, over the Church of Lower Valley.

June 10, 1890, Rev. John A. Wells, over the Church of Liberty Corner.

Dissolution of pastoral relations –

December 30, 1889, between Rev. Daniel W. Skellenger and the Church of Dunellen.

Licensures—

April 16, 1890, Frank Stiles Woodruff.

October 8, 1890, William Edgar Plumley.

Licentiates received—

November 18, 1889, Hermann A. Axmann, from the Presbytery of Newark.

October 7, 1890, G. Kennedy Newell, from the Presbytery of New York.

Candidates received on examination—

April 15, 1890, Geoge Armstrong Liggett.

April 16, 1890, George Elliott Gillespie.

April 16, 1890, William Edgar Plumley.

Died—

October 30, 1889, Rev. David H. Pierson, Ph.D., aged 71 years.

January 10, 1890, Rev. Edward B. Edgar, aged 73 years.

SAMUEL PARRY,
Stated Clerk.

III. THE PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY consists of forty-three ministers and twenty-nine churches, and has under its care no licentiate, and thirteen candidates.

Ministers received —

December 3, 1889, Rev. William A. George, from the Middlesex (Conn.) Congregational Association.

April 15, 1890, Rev. Gustav Schumacher, from the Presbytery of Hudson, and Rev. George H. Cleveland, from the Presbytery of Nassau.

October 7, 1890, Rev. Nathan M. Sherwood, from the Presbytery of Hudson.

Licentiate received—

June 3, 1890, James S. Young, from the Presbytery of New York.

Candidate received under care of Presbytery—

December 3, 1889, Thomas Houston.

License conferred—

April 15, 1890, Henry C. Vanderbeek.

Ordination—

June 13, 1890, Licentiate James S. Young.

Installations—

April 24, 1890, Rev. Gustav Schumacher, as pastor of Broadway German Church, Paterson.

June 13, 1890, Rev. James S. Young, as pastor of Garfield Church.

Dissolutions of pastoral relations—

January 7, 1890, between Rev. Frederick E. Voegelin and the Broadway German Church, Paterson.

February 4, 1890, between Rev. James E. Sentz and Norwood Church.

March 11, 1890, between Rev. John B. Kugler and Hoboken Church.

September 9, 1890, between Rev. William W. Weller and Hackensack Church.

Ministers dismissed—

November 5, 1889, Rev. David Herron, to the Presbytery of Albany.

January 7, 1890, Rev. Frederick E. Voegelin, to the Presbytery of New York.

February 4, 1890, Rev. James E. Sentz, to the Presbytery of New York.

March 11, 1890, Rev. John B. Kugler, to the Presbytery of New Brunswick; Rev. George D. Egbert, to the Presbytery of North River.

April 15, 1890, Rev. Daniel W. Fox, to the Presbytery of Troy; Rev. James Hall, to the Presbytery of Nassau.

September 9, 1890, Rev. William Baesler, to the Presbytery of Los Angeles.

October 1, 1890, Rev. William W. Weller, to the Presbytery of Geneva.

Licentiates dismissed—

June 3, 1890, Henry C. Vanderbeek, to the Presbytery of Newark.

October 7, 1890, Robert A. King, to the Presbytery of Crawfordsville.

Candidate dismissed—

January 7, 1890, Charles Park, to Presbytery of Lima.

Dedication—

March 27, 1890, House of Worship of Rutherford Church.

Churches united—

November 5, 1889, authorized consolidation of the Presbyterian Church of Jersey City and the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City, under the title of the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City.

EDWIN A. BULKLEY,
Stated Clerk.

IV. THE PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH consists of forty-eight ministers and forty-seven churches, and has under its care one licentiate and five candidates.

Ministers received—

February 18, 1890, Rev. Frank R. Symmes, from the Presbytery of West Jersey.

Licentiates received—

October 22, 1889, Paul A. Houghtaling, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

April 8, 1890, Wm. E. Bryce, from the Presbytery of Indianapolis.

Licensure—

April 8, 1890, Lew. F. Jones.

Ordinations—

October 31, 1889, Paul A. Houghtaling.

April 17, 1890, Wm. E. Bryce.

May 9, 1890, Frank B. Everitt.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

November 19, 1889, Rev. Robert C. Hallock, Ph.D., with the Tennent Church.

March 5, 1890, Rev. William C. Stinson, with the Manalapan Church.

May 9, 1890, Rev. Samuel Conn, D.D., with the Beverly Church.
July 7, 1890, Rev. A. Lewis Hyde, with the churches of Jacksonville and and Providence.

Installations—

October 31, 1889, Rev. Paul A. Houghtaling, as pastor of Calvary (Riverton) Church.
February 18, 1890, Rev. Frank R. Symmes, as pastor of Tennent Church.

Dismissions—

November 19, 1889, Rev. Robert C. Hallock, Ph.D., to the Presbytery of Long Island.
March 5, 1890, Rev. William C. Stinson, to the Presbytery of Elizabeth.
July 7, 1890, Rev. A. Lewis Hyde, to the Presbytery of Westminster.
October 6, 1890, Rev. William E. Bryce, to the Presbytery of Louisville.

BENJAMIN S. EVERITT,
Stated Clerk.

V. THE PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE consists of fifty-five ministers and forty-one churches, and has under its care two chapels and two candidates.

Ministers received—

January 21, 1890, Rev. Edwin R. Murgatroyd, from the Presbytery of Oregon. Rev. William Hollinshed, from the Eastern Congregational Association of Michigan.
April 8, 1890, Rev. Rufus S. Green, D.D., from the Presbytery of Buffalo.
June 10, 1890, Rev. Evander B. McGilvary, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick. Rev. George P. Noble, from the Presbytery of North River.

Ordination—

April 13, 1890, Licentiate Lewis B. Paton.

Installations—

February 5, 1890, Rev. Edwin R. Murgatroyd, as pastor of the church of New Vernon.
June 10, 1890, Rev. George P. Noble, as pastor of the First Church of Mendham.
October 16, 1890, Rev. Rufus S. Green, D.D., as pastor of the Central Church, Orange.

Dissolution of pastoral relations—

October 22, 1889, Rev. James Carter and the First Church of Mendham, to take effect Sunday, November 3, 1889.

June 10, 1890, Rev. George H. Stephens and the church at Flanders, to take effect July 1, 1890.

September 16, 1890, Rev. James F. Brewster and the church at Chester, to take effect Sunday, October 12, 1890.

Ministers dismissed—

October 22, 1889, Rev. James Carter, to the Presbytery of Northumberland.

February 28, 1890, Rev. George S. Webster, to the Presbytery of New York.

June 10, 1890, Rev. George H. Stephens, to the Presbytery of Northumberland.

Candidate dismissed—

June 10, 1890, Herman W. Hortsch, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

Minister deceased—

June 12, 1890, Rev. Burtis Cunningham Megie, D.D., at Dover, N. J., in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

WILLIAM F. WHITAKER,
Stated Clerk.

VI. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK consists of forty-six ministers and twenty-seven churches, and has under its care one licentiate and thirteen candidates.

Ministers received—

February 5, 1890, Rev. William A. Niles, D.D., from the Presbytery of Steuben.

April 2, 1890, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick. Rev. J. Addison Priest, D.D., from the Presbytery of Cincinnati.

October 1, 1890, Rev. D. Chas. Preyer, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna.

Licentiate Received—

June 4, 1890, Henry C. Vanderbeek, from the Presbytery of Jersey City.

Ministers Dismissed—

October 17, 1889, Rev. Thomas Chalmers Easton, D.D., to the Presbytery of San Francisco.

February 5, 1890, Rev. Joshua H. McIlvaine, D.D., to the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

May 7, 1890, Rev. William T. Findley, D.D., to the Presbytery of Monmouth. Rev. Philip A. Schwartz, to the Presbytery of Nassau.

June 4, 1890, Rev. John R. Henderson, to the Presbytery of Huntingdon. Rev. Edward Scofield, to the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Licenses conferred—

April 2, 1890, Thomas Pulham, Austin D. Wolf.

Licentiates dismissed—

October 23, 1889, Hermann A. Axmann, to the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

April 2, 1890, Austin D. Wolf, to the Presbytery of Waterloo.

Ordination—

June 12, 1890, Henry C. Vanderbeek.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

April 2, 1890, between Rev. John R. Henderson and the Lyons Farms Church.

June 4, 1890, between Rev. Edward Scofield and the Knox Church, East Newark.

Installations—

April 10, 1890, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, as pastor of the Fifth Avenue Church, Newark.

June 12, 1890, Rev. Henry C. Vanderbeek, as pastor of the Woodside Church, Newark.

Deaths—

November 11, 1889, Rev. Jonathan F. Stearns, D.D., in New Brunswick, N. J., in the eighty-first year of his age.

April 12, 1890, Rev. John M. Ensslin, in Bloomfield, N. J., in the sixty-second year of his age.

July 17, 1890, Rev. Joseph W. Porter, in Newark, N. J., in the sixty-third year of his age.

JULIUS H. WOLFF,
Stated Clerk.

VII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK consists of sixty-nine ministers and thirty-four churches, and has under its care four licentiates and thirty-eight candidates.

Ministers received from other Presbyteries—

October 21, 1889, Rev. Theophilus E. Montgomery, from the Presbytery of Fort Wayne.

January 28, 1890, Rev. Aaron F. Hutchinson, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

April 8, 1890, Rev. John B. Kugler, from the Presbytery of Jersey City.

April 8, 1890, Rev. Joseph H. Dulles, from the Presbytery of Newton.

July 28, 1890, Rev. Titus E. Davis, from the Presbytery of Columbia.

October 7, 1890, Rev. Edward Scofield, from the Presbytery of Newark.

Ministers dismissed to other Presbyteries—

December 10, 1889, Rev. Thomas C. Potter, to the Presbytery of Waterloo.

March 12, 1890, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, to the Presbytery of Newark.

April 8, 1890, Rev. Jose M. Guillen, to the Presbytery of New York.

April 22, 1890, Rev. Evander B. McGilvary, to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

October 7, 1890, Rev. Theophilus E. Montgomery, to the Presbytery of Carlisle.

Ordinations, sine titulo—

April 23, 1890, William S. Bannerman, George Tryon Eddy, James Walter Doughty, Frank Leonard Fraser and William Jessup.

Ordination and installation—

May 7, 1890, Daniel Ruby Warne, ordained and installed pastor of Kingston Church.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

December 16, 1889, Rev. Thomas C. Potter, with Amwell First Church, to take effect December 23.

March 12, 1890, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, with Bound Brook Church, to take effect March 31.

Pastoral relations constituted—

May 27, 1890, Rev. John B. Kugler, with Amwell First Church.

October 16, 1890, Rev. Titus E. Davis, with Bound Brook Church.

Candidates received on certificate—

April 22, 1890, Warren B. Dunham, from the Presbytery of Crawfordsville. George T. Eddy, from the Presbytery of Rochester. John B. McCuish, from the Presbytery of Platte. Samuel B. Wylie, from the Presbytery of Belfast.

Candidates received on examination—

October 23, 1889, Thomas C. Doran.

April 23, 1890, Wilson Aull, James E. Cameron, Joseph N. Elliott, Edmond W. Fitz Simmons, Frederic W. Fraser, Daniel E. Jen-

kins, James D. Mann, Samuel J. Onque, William S. Rutherford, William S. Voorhies.

October 7, 1890, Frederic Perkins.

Licensures—

April 22, 1890, William Sullivan Bannerman, Seelye Bryant, James Walter Doughty, George Tryon Eddy, Frank Leonard Fraser, Charles Sumner Hedges, William Jessup, John Berridge McCuish, Robert William Mason, Hugh Miller, Arthur William Remington, Daniel Ruby Warne, S. Beattie Wylie.

May 7, 1890, William Sinclair Voorhies.

Candidates dismissed—

March 2, 1890, William H. Hudnut, to the Presbytery of Hudson.

April 22, 1890, Allen McD. Paterson, to the Presbytery of Ottawa, Canada.

June 9, 1890, Frederic W. Fraser, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

Licentiates dismissed—

April 22, 1890, Albert W. Remington, to Presbytery of Columbia.

May 7, 1890, William Sinclair Voorhies, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

June 16, 1890, Walter H. Bradley, to the Presbytery of Alton.

September 15, 1890, Robert W. Mason, to the Presbytery of St. Louis.

Licentiate dismissed to another denomination—

September 5, 1890, Seelye Bryant, to Worcester Central Association of Congregational Ministers.

Minister deceased—

June 7, 1890, Rev. James Clement Moffat, D.D., at Princeton, New Jersey, in the eightieth year of his age.

A. L. ARMSTRONG,
Stated Clerk.

VIII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON consists of thirty-six ministers and thirty-seven churches, and has under its care five candidates.

Ministers received—

April 8, 1890, Rev. Charles E. Van Allen, from the Presbytery of Lehigh.

June 25, 1890, Rev. Isaac H. Condit, from the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

Pastoral relations constituted—

April 15, 1890, Rev. Charles E. Van Allen, pastor of the Church of Delaware; and

October 4, 1890, pastor of the Church of Knowlton.

June 25, 1890, Rev. Isaac H. Condit, pastor of the Church of Stanhope.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

December 2, 1889, Rev. Robert B. Foresman, with the Church of Yellow Frame.

June 25, 1890, Rev. Walter H. Ayers, with the Second Church of Belvidere.

Candidate received—

October 23, 1889, Tillman S. Rush.

E. CLARKE CLINE,
Stated Clerk.

IX. THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY consists of forty-six ministers and forty-seven churches, and has under its care no licentiates and five candidates.

Ministers received from other Presbyteries—

December 4, 1889, Rev. Wellington E. Loucks, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia Central.

September 30, 1890, Rev. John T. Crumrine, from the Presbytery of Erie.

September 30, 1890, Rev. Edward A. McLaury, from the Presbytery of Chester.

Ministers received from other denominations—

January 28, 1890, Rev. Samuel Y. Lum, from the Fairfield West Association of Connecticut.

April 15, 1890, Rev. William Schmitz, from the Reformed Classis of Ulster, N. Y.

Licentiate received—

June 24, 1890, Mr. William S. Voorhies, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Ministers dismissed—

November 14, 1889, Rev. J. Baillie Adams, to the Presbytery of Lehigh.

January 28, 1890, Rev. Frank R. Symmes, to the Presbytery of Monmouth.

February 11, 1890, Rev. Henry F. Mason, to the Presbytery of New Castle.

September 30, 1890, Rev. Charles T. McMullin, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Minister dismissed to another denomination—

March 4, 1890, Rev. Paul H. Schnatz, to the Reformed Synod of New York.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

October 22, 1889, Rev. James B. Macool, with the Third Church of Camden.

November 14, 1889, Rev. R. Howard Bent, with the First Church of Cedarville.

January 28, 1890, Rev. Frank R. Symmes, with Fairfield Church.

January 28, 1890, Rev. William H. Belden, with the West Church of Bridgeton.

March 4, 1890, Rev. Paul H. Schnatz, with the German Church of Atlantic City.

Ministers installed—

December 4, 1889, Rev. Wellington E. Loucks, pastor of the First Church of Camden.

April 22, 1890, Rev. William Schmitz, pastor of the Church of Greenwich.

July 1, 1890, Rev. William S. Voorhies, pastor of the Church of Elmer.

July 8, 1890, Rev. Herman W. Hortsch, pastor of the German Church of Atlantic City.

Licentiates ordained—

July 1, 1890, William S. Voorhies.

July 8, 1890, Herman W. Hortsch.

Candidate licensed—

June 24, 1890, Herman W. Hortsch.

Minister deceased—

April 29, 1890, Rev. George C. Bush, at Elwood, N. J., in the seventy-sixth year of his age.

HENRY REEVES,
Stated Clerk.

Standing Rules of the Synod.

I.—The Synod shall meet annually, on the third Tuesday of October, at 3 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered.

II.—The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Recording Clerk and a Treasurer.

III.—The Moderator shall be elected annually, after calling the roll of the Presbyteries for nominations, when the Presbytery which has been longest without having a Moderator of Synod shall be called first. The Clerks and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, unless otherwise ordered, and shall hold office during the pleasure of Synod.

IV.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to cause a notice of the time and place of meeting to be published in the religious papers, most current in the Synod, at least three weeks prior to the time of meeting; to lay on the Moderator's table, at the opening of Synod, a printed docket of business; to preserve the proceedings of Synod in printed form; to file and preserve all important papers coming into the possession of Synod; to furnish certified copies of minutes to those properly entitled to them; to conduct the correspondence of Synod; to transmit to the General Assembly the Statistical Report and the duly certified printed Records of Synod; to send a printed copy of the minutes of each annual meeting of Synod to every Minister, to the Session of each vacant church and to each Ruling Elder who attended that meeting; and to cause the copies that have been submitted to the General Assembly to be bound in volumes at suitable intervals.

V.—The Permanent Clerk shall prepare a roll of Synod before the opening. To enable him to do this, all members shall report themselves to him on arrival at the place of meeting. To him reasons for absence or late attendance shall be given, and of him permission to leave shall be obtained. He shall be the Reading Clerk, call the roll, and otherwise assist the Stated Clerk as he may require; and he shall act as Stated Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

VI.—The Recording Clerk shall make the minutes of the proceedings of Synod from day to day, and deliver them to the Stated Clerk on the adjournment of Synod; and he shall act as Permanent Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

VII.—The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be one hundred dollars per annum, that of the Permanent and Recording Clerks, thirty dollars respectively.

VIII.—The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Synod for contingent expenses, and render an itemized account at each annual meeting.

COMMITTEES.

IX.—The Committees of Synod shall be divided into three classes, viz.: Standing, Permanent and Special.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The STANDING COMMITTEES, to be appointed by the Moderator at each annual meeting, shall be as follows:

1. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES, seven members—four Ministers, of whom one shall be the retiring Moderator, and three Ruling Elders.

2. JUDICIAL COMMITTEE, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.

3. ON RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES, three members for each Presbytery—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

4. ON MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

5. ON NARRATIVE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

6. ON FINANCE, four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders, who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.

X.—The Committee of Arrangements shall consist of all the Presbyterian Pastors and one Ruling Elder from each church in the place where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk of Synod, the Pastor of the church in which Synod meets to be chairman. They shall provide accommodations for the Synod; suggest hours of meeting and adjournment; arrange for public services, and the persons to conduct them; and provide for hearing representatives of the Boards.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

XI.—The Permanent Committees of the Synod shall be as follows:

1. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS, eight members—one for each Home Presbytery.

2. ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, eighteen members—one Minister and one Ruling Elder for each Presbytery.

3. ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS, six members—four Ministers and two Ruling Elders.

4. ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.

5. ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

6. ON TEMPERANCE, nine members—one from each Home Presbytery, besides the chairman.

7. ON UNEMPLOYED MINISTERS AND VACANT CHURCHES, eight members—one from each Home Presbytery.

8. ON NECROLOGY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

9. ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE, eight members—one from each Home Presbytery.

10. ON WORK AMONG FOREIGN POPULATIONS, five members—three Ministers and two Ruling Elders.

XII.—The Stated Clerk shall print an Appendix to the Minutes, which shall contain all the papers and reports presented to Synod that are of permanent value. But in preparing such materials for publication he shall be authorized to abridge the same, except where resolutions and recommendations have been adopted by Synod, and when otherwise ordered by Synod.

XIII.—The Permanent Committees shall each report to Synod annually, upon the matters assigned to them, and recommend suitable action to be taken by Synod in relation thereto.

XIV.—The Necrological Committee shall present at the annual meeting, brief obituary notices of all Ministers of Synod who have deceased during the Synodical year, immediately after the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

XV.—Each Presbytery belonging to the Synod shall send a written Narrative of the State of Religion within its bounds, to the Synod's Committee on Narrative, at least one week previous to the stated meeting of Synod.

XVI.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered at each stated meeting of the Synod, under the superintendence of the retiring Moderator or the Minister presiding in his place, at such time and place as the Committee of Arrangements shall designate.

XVII.—The last two hours of the afternoon session, and the whole of the evening session of the second day of Synod's meeting, shall be devoted to the subject of Benevolence and Church Work. The Committee on Systematic Beneficence shall coöperate with the Committee of Arrangements in selecting topics and speakers for the occasion, and the said evening session shall be devoted exclusively to popular addresses.

XVIII.—All notices of, or calls for, meetings of Presbyteries or Committees, and all resolutions, shall be in writing and read by the Clerk.

XIX.—The rules for Judicatories adopted by the General Assembly shall be the rules of the Synod, so far as they apply.

XX.—These rules may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote, but if notice of a proposed change has been given at a previous stated meeting, a majority may amend or repeal; and any one of these rules may be temporarily suspended by a majority vote.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

Synodical Home Missions.

REV. JOHN DIXON, D.D.,
REV. CHARLES D. SHAW, D.D.,
REV. J. GARLAND HAMNER, JR.,
REV. THEODORE F. WHITE, D.D.,
REV. JOSEPH M. MC NULTY, D D.,
REV. ALFRED H. DASHIELL,
REV. WILLIAM THOMSON,
REV. FREDERIC R. BRACE.

Foreign Missions.

REV. CHARLES K. IMBRIE, D.D.,
REV. ABRAHAM GOSMAN, D.D.,
REV. JOHN W. TEAL, D.D.,
REV. PHILO F. LEAVENS, D.D.,
REV. EDWARD B. HODGE,
REV. WILLIAM F. WHITAKER,
REV. J. LESTER WELLS,
REV. WILLIAM SWAN,
REV. HENRY S. BUTLER, D.D.,
REV. WILLIAM H. BELDEN,
ELDER F. H. KINGSBURY,
ELDER E. W. MARTIN,
ELDER CHARLES A. DEWITT,
ELDER HORACE CHURCHMAN,
ELDER HENRY E. SIMMONS,
ELDER WILLIAM RANKIN,
ELDER HUGH H. HAMILL,
ELDER DAVID R. HULL,
ELDER H. O. HILDEBRAND.

Historical Materials

REV. ALLEN H. BROWN,
REV. WILLIAM T. FINDLEY, D.D.,
ELDER S. H. PENNINGTON, M.D.,
REV. HENRY C. CAMERON, D.D.,
REV. GEORGE S. MOTT, D.D.,
ELDER JAMES STEEN.

Sabbath-School Work.

REV. BENJAMIN S. EVERITT,
REV. GEORGE H. INGRAM,
ELDER JEREMIAH BAKER,
REV. J. LESTER WELLS,
REV. ROBERT J. BURTT,
ELDER FRANKLIN DYE,
ELDER JOHN B. PUDNEY.

Sabbath Observance.

REV. GEORGE S. MOTT, D.D.,
REV. GEORGE SWAIN; D.D.,
ELDER JOHN A. ANDERSON.

Temperance.

REV. WILLIAM E. HONEYMAN,
REV. JOHN WOODBRIDGE, D.D.,
REV. WILLIAM T. FINDLEY, D.D.,
REV. JOSEPH G. SYMMES, D.D.,
REV. WILLIAM BOYD,
REV. EDWIN A. BULKLEY, D.D.,
REV. ELIJAH R. CRAVEN, D.D.,
REV. J. DEHART BRUEN,
ELDER J. B. TALLMAN.

Unemployed Ministers and Vacant Churches

REV. JOHN R. FISHER,
REV. SAMUEL PARRY,
REV. GEORGE SLUTER,
REV. ALFRED H. DASHIELL,
REV. WILLIAM T. FINDLEY, D.D.,
REV. LEWIS W. MUDGE, D.D.,
REV. E. CLARKE CLINE,
REV. WELLINGTON E. LOUCKS.

Necrology.

REV. HENRY S. BUTLER, D.D.,
REV. WILLIAM SWAN,
ELDER SAMUEL H. PENNINGTON, M.D.

Systematic Beneficence.

REV. THEODORE F. WHITE, D.D.,
REV. ISAIAH B. HOPWOOD,
REV. WALTER A. BROOKS,
REV. ROBERT A. BRYANT,
REV. JOSEPH G. SYMMES, D.D.,
REV. JOSHUA B. GALLAWAY,
REV. HARRY L. JANEWAY,
ELDER EDWARD P. TENNEY.

Work Among Foreign Populations

REV. ALBERT ERDMAN, D.D.,
REV. JOSEPH S. VANDYKE, D.D.,
ELDER AARON CARTER,
REV. EDWIN A. BULKLEY, D.D.,
ELDER FRED. W. BALDWIN.

Trustees of Synod.

REV. ROBERT AIKMAN, D.D.,
REV. CHARLES K. IMBRIE, D.D.,
REV. HUGH SMYTHE,
REV. ALFRED H. DASHIELL,
REV. ELIJAH R. CRAVEN, D.D.,
REV. ABRAHAM GOSMAN, D.D.,
REV. WILLIAM THOMSON,
REV. ALLEN H. BROWN,
HON. AMZI DODD.

Custodians of Historical Material.

REV. WALTER A. BROOKS, Stated Clerk, Trenton N. J.
REV. JOSEPH H. DULLES, Librarian Theol. Seminary, Princeton, N. J.

Moderators Since the Reunion.

DATE.	PLACE OF MEETING.	MODERATOR.	PRESBYTERY.
June 21, 1870	Elizabeth, .	*Rev. Jona. F. Stearns, D.D., .	Newark.
Oct. 18, 1870	Morristown,	Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D.,	Jersey City.
Oct. 17, 1871	Bloomfield, .	Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., .	Morris & Orange.
Oct. 15, 1872	Trenton, . .	*Rev. Samuel Miller, D.D., . .	Monmouth.
Oct. 21, 1873	Washington,	Rev. J. H. McIlvaine, D D., .	Newark.
Oct. 20, 1874	Camden, . .	*Rev. J. M. McDonald, D.D., .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1875	Orange, . .	Rev. William C. Roberts, D.D.,	Elizabeth.
Oct. 17, 1876	Elizabeth, .	Rev. Thomas McCauley, . . .	Newton.
Oct. 16, 1877	Newark, . .	Rev. E. Kempshall, D.D., . .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 15, 1878	Morristown, .	Rev. William Bannard, D.D., .	West Jersey.
Oct. 21, 1879	Trenton, . .	Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1880	Bridgeton, .	Rev. Charles E. Knox, D.D., .	Newark.
Oct. 18, 1881	Asbury Park,	Rev. Joseph G. Symmes, D.D.,	Monmouth.
Oct. 17, 1882	Hackettstown	*Rev. Alfred Yeomans, D.D., .	Morris & Orange.
Oct. 16, 1883	Orange, . . .	Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D.,	Jersey City.
Oct. 21, 1884	Elizabeth, . .	*Rev. Samuel M. Hamill, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
Oct. 20, 1885	Atlantic City,	Rev. Allen H. Brown, ...	West Jersey.
Oct. 18, 1886	Camden, . .	Rev. William Thomson, ...	Newton.
Oct. 17, 1887	Asbury Park,	Rev. Frank Chandler, D.D., .	Monmouth.
Oct. 15, 1888	Asbury Park,	Rev. K. P. Ketcham, D.D., . .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 21, 1889	Asbury Park,	Rev. Henry M. Storrs, D.D., .	Morris & Orange.
Oct. 20, 1890	Atlantic City,	Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D., .	Newark.

* Deceased.

MINISTERS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

Abbott, Justin E., Bombay, India. J. C.
Aiken, Charles A., D.D., Princeton. N. B.
Aikman, Robert, D.D., Madison. M. & O.
Aikman, William, D.D., Atlantic City. W. J.
Ainslee, John A., Mardin, Turkey. N. B.
Alexander, William C., Matawan. Mon.
Allen, Lyman W., Newark. N'rk.
Anderson, Charles T., Rockaway. M. & O.
Armstrong, Amzi L., Dutch Neck. N. B.
Axmann, Hermann A., Elizabeth. Eliz.
Ayres, Walter H., Belvidere, Newt.

Baldwin, Theodore A., Broussa, Turkey. N'rk.
Ballantine, Henry W., Bloomfield. N'rk.
Bannard, William, D.D., Camden. W. J.
Bannerman, William S., , N. B.
Bardwell, David McGee, Perth Amboy. M. & O.
Beach, Sylvester W., Bridgeton. W. J.
Beadle, Heber H., Bridgeton. W. J.
Beaumont, James B., Chatham. M. & O.
Belden, William H., Bristol, Conn. W. J.
Bent, R. Howard, W. Philadelphia, Pa. W. J.
Bentley, Richard, Tenafly. J. C.
Berry, Charles T., Caldwell. N'rk.
Blauvelt, I. Alstyne, Roselle. Eliz.
Blumenfeld, David, Pleasant Dale. M. & O.
Boing, Elias L., New Vernon M. & O.
Booth, Henry M., D.D , Englewood. J. C.
Botsford, Alfred P , Wenonah. W. J.
Boyd, William, Camden. W. J.
Brace, Frederic R., Blackwood. W. J.
Bradley, Joseph H., Tuckerton. Mon.
Brewster, Charles A , Cape May. W. J.
Brewster, James F., Chester. M. & O.
Bridges, William J , Bridgeton. W. J.
Bridgman, Chester, Woodstown. W. J.
Brooks, Walter A., Trenton. N. B
Brown, Eliphalet Winslow, Bloomsburg, Newt.
Brown, Fred. T., D D., Manasquan. Mon.
Brown, Josiah J., Newark. N'rk.
Bruen, James De Hart, Belvidere. Newt.
Bryan, Arthur V., Lakewood. Mon.
Bryant, Robert A , Asbury. Newt.
Buckle, George, Elizabeth. Eliz.
Bulkley, Edwin A., D.D., Rutherford. J. C.
Bullard, Charles B., Parsippany. M. & O.
Burtt, Robert J., Marksboro. Newt.
Butler, Henry S , D.D., Blairstown. Newt.

Cadwell, Newton W., Westfield. Eliz.
Cameron, Henry C., D.D., Princeton. N. B.
Carlile, Samuel, D.D., Paterson. J. C.
Carroll, Vernon B., Tenafly. J. C.
Carter, Thomas, Boonton. M. & O.
Chambers, Andrew G., Freehold. Mon.
Chambers, Theodore F., German Valley. M. & O.
Chandler, Frank, D.D., Asbury Park. Mon.
Chapman, John L., Irvington. M. & O.
Clarke, John P., Stillwater Newt.
Cleveland, George H., Asbury Park. J. C.
Cline, E Clarke, Phillipsburg. Newt.
Clyde, John C , D.D., Bloomsbury. Newt.
Cobb, Eben B., Elizabeth. Eliz.
Cobb, Roderick P., Merchantville. W. J.
Coleman, James W., Newark. Newt.
Colville, Andrew, New York, N. Y. J. C.
Condit, Isaac H., Stanhope. Newt.
Condit, Uzal W., Ph.D., Easton, Pa. Newt.
Conklin, Nathaniel, Madison. M. & O.
Conn, Samuel, D.D., Beverly. Mon.
Converse, Charles S., Union. Eliz.
Cottrell, George W., Wheatland. Mon.
Coyle, Leonidas E., Bridgeton. W. J.
Crane, Edward P., Stuttgart, Germ. J. C.
Crane, John J., Netcong. M. & O.
Crane, Oliver, D D., LL D., Morristown. M. & O.
Craven, Elijah R., D.D., LL.D., Phila., Pa. N'rk.
Cromack, Joseph C., Deckertown. Newt.
Crowell, John, D D., East Orange. M. & O.
Crumrine, John T. W. J. Cedarville.
Cunningham, William L., Pt. Pleasant. Mon.

Dashiell, Alfred H., Lakewood. Mon.
Davenport, Isaac W., Newark. W. J.
Davis, John D , Ph.D , Princeton. N. B.
Davis, J. Kirby, Newark. N'rk.
Davis, Titus E., Bound Brook. N. B.
Decker, J. Davison, Harmony. Newt.
Dennis, James W., D.D., Beirut, Syria. N'rk
Deyo, O. H. Perry, Highland, N. Y. M. & O.
Dill, Arthur C., Stirling. M. & O.
Dillon, Edward, Woodbury. W. J.
Dixon, John, D.D., Trenton. N. B.
Dod, Samuel B., East Orange. M. & O.
Dodd, William S , Cæsarea, Turkey. M. & O.
Donaldson, Edward K , Titusville. N. B.
Doughty, James Walter. N. B.
Duffield, John T., D.D., Princeton N. B.
Dulles, Joseph H., Princeton. N. B.

Eddy, George T., Princeton. N. B.
Eddy, William W., D.D., Sidon, Syria. N'rk.
Egbert, James C., West Hoboken. J. C.
Elliott, James C , Keyport. Mon.
Erdman, Albert, D.D , Morristown. M. & O.
Everitt, Benjamin S., Jamesburg. Mon.
Everitt, Charles, Englishtown Mon.
Everitt, Frank B., Kansas City, Mo. Mon.
Ewing, John, D.D., Daretown. W. J.

Ferguson, James A., Hanover. M. & O.
Fergusson, E. Morris, Phillipsburg. Newt.
Filson, William H., Frenchtown. N. B.
Findley, William T., D.D., Perrineville. Mon.
Finney, William P , Cream Ridge. Mon.
Fisher, John R , South Orange. M. & O.
Ford, Henry T., Kansas City Mo. J. C.
Foresman, Robert B., Phillipsburg. Newt.
Foster, Bentley S., South Amboy. Mon.
Foster, Daniel R , Trenton. N. B.
Fraser, Frank L., , N. B.
Frazer, David R., D.D., Newark. N'rk.
French, J. Clement, D.D., Newark. N'rk.
Frissell, A. Cogswell, New York, N. Y. N'rk.
Frissell, Hollis B., Hampton, Va. N'rk.

Gabriellian, M. C., Phila., Pa. N. B.

Brown, Allen H. Camden. W. J.

Gallaway, Joshua B., Paterson. J. C.
Garretson, George R., Jersey City. J. C.
Gault, Wm. Chambers, Gaboon, W. Africa. Cor.
George, William A., Lyndburst. J. C.
Gibson, James R., Califon. Eliz.
Gillespie, John, D.D., 53 Fifth Ave., N. Y. Eliz.
Glover, Charles P., Trenton. N. B.
Good, Adolphus C., 53 Fifth Ave., N. Y. Cor.
Gosman, Abraham, D.D., Lawrenceville. N. B.
Grace, James M., Keyport. Mon.
Green, Rufus S., D.D., Orange M & O.
Green, Wm. Henry, D.D., LL.D., Princeton, N. B.
Greene, George F., Cranford. Eliz.
Gruhnert, Hermann Carl, Orange. M. & O.
Guenther, Johann N., Newark. N'rk.

Haines, Alanson A., Hamburg. Newt.
Haley, Charles T., D.D., Newark. N'rk.
Hall, Henry R., Columbus. Mon.
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